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# Computational Results by JAXA for DLR-F6 and DLR-F6 FX2B (Case 1)

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# Objectives

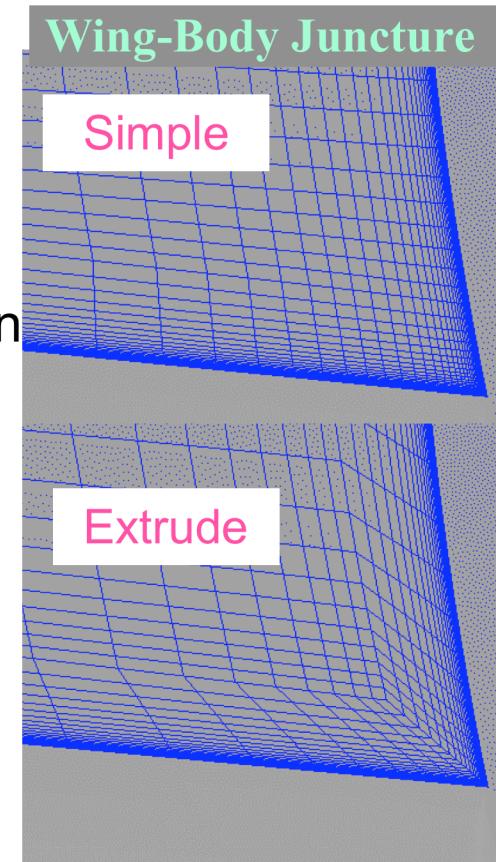
- Evaluation of CFD codes used in APG/JAXA
  - Multi-block structured mesh code, UPACS
  - Unstructured mesh code, TAS code

## **Focus of presentation**

- Evaluation of self-made computational grids
- Grid convergence
- Comparison of upper-surface trailing-edge separation

By the structured grids for flow separation of DLR-F6

- Comparison of grid topology at wing-body junction
- Comparison of turbulence model, SA and SST



# Numerical method: UPACS & TAS Code

	UPACS	TAS Code
Mesh type	Multi-block structured	Unstructured
Discretization	Cell-centered finite volume	Cell-vertex finite volume
Flux comp.	Roe 2 <sup>nd</sup> order with vanAlbada's Limitter	HLLEW 2 <sup>nd</sup> order with Venkatakrishnan's limitter
Time integration	MFGS	LU-SGS
Turbulence model	SA_mod, SST	SA_mod

## Code

UPACS: Unified Platform for Aerospace Computational Simulation by JAXA

TAS Code: Tohoku University Aerodynamic Simulation Code

## Turbulence model

SA\_mod: Spalart-Allmaras one-equation turbulence model with modifications

1. without trip term for transition
2. without ft2 function

3. with a modification of production term,  $S = \Omega + \min(0, \hat{S} - \Omega)$

SST: Menter's shear stress transport  $k-\omega$  two-equation model

## Point-matched multi-block structured grids

- Generated using a commercial software, Gridgen

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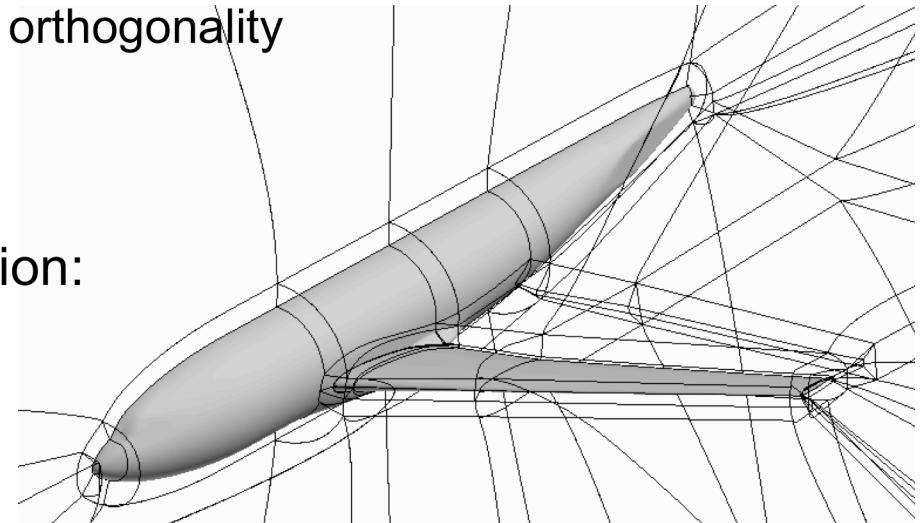
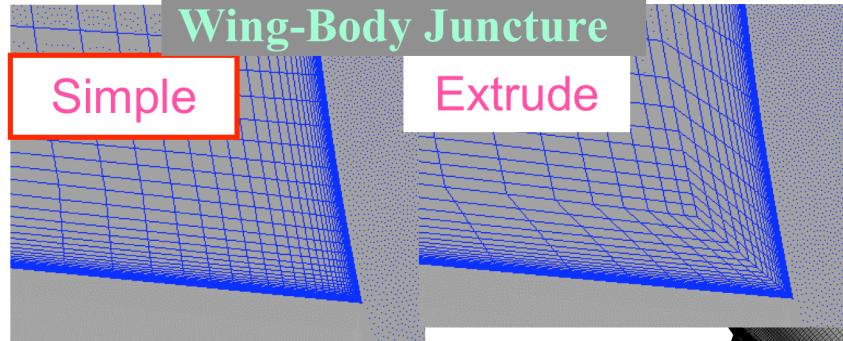
O-O grid topology to guarantee good orthogonality  
within the boundary layer

Outward:

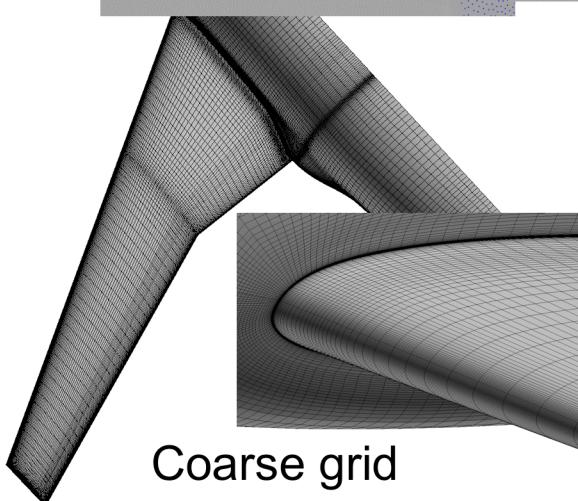
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At the corner of the wing-body junction:

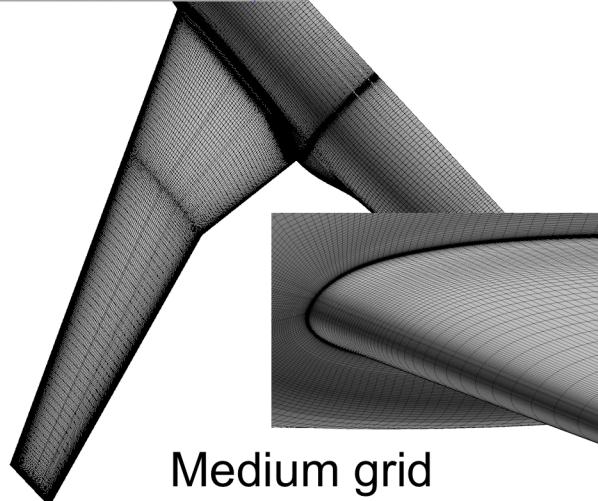
Two kinds of grid topology



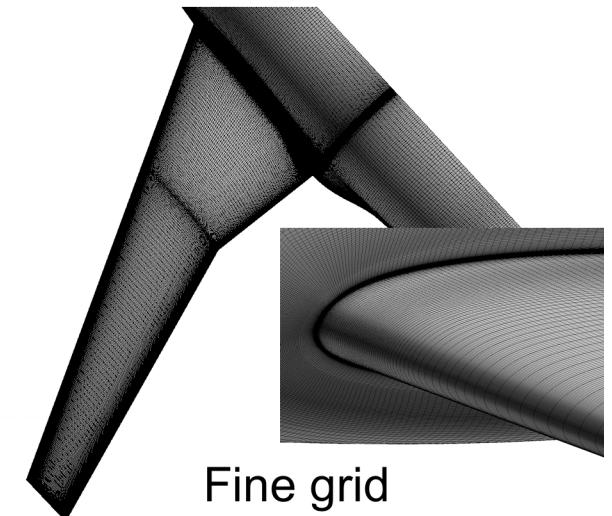
Block wire frame for DLR-F6 FX2B



Coarse grid



Medium grid



Fine grid

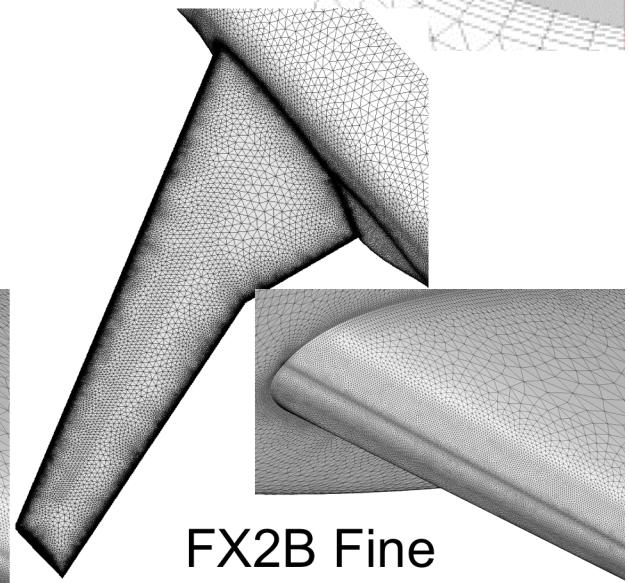
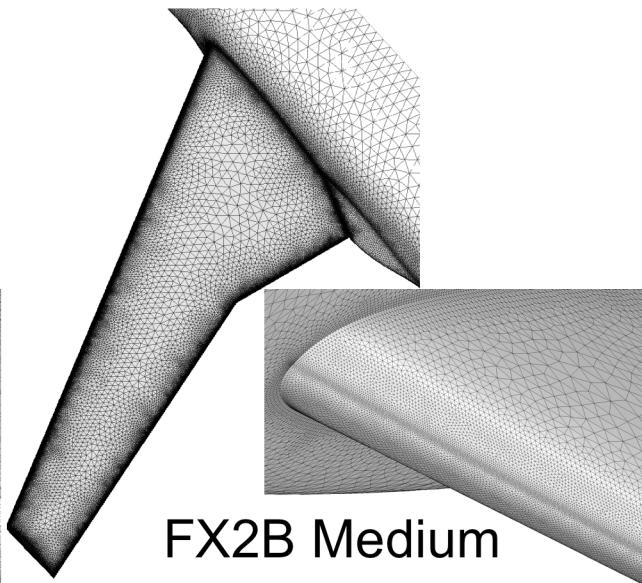
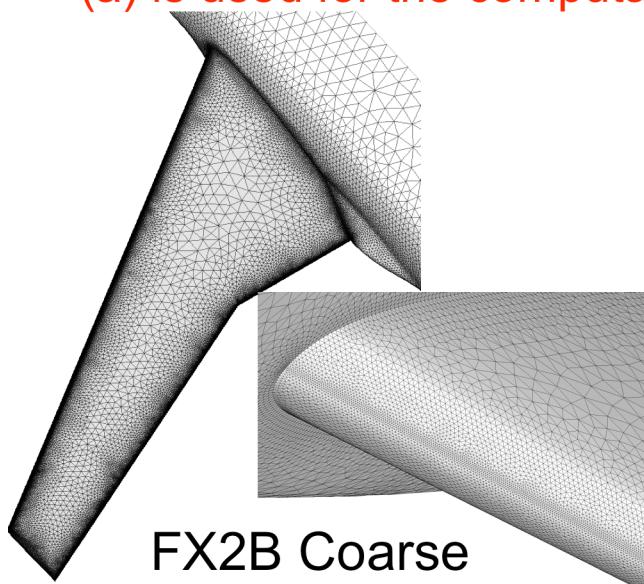
## Mixed element unstructured grids

- Generated using TAS-Mesh
- Surface grid (Triangles)
  - Direct advancing front method
  - Use of triangles that are not so stretched

### Volume grid (Tetrahedra, Prisms, Pyramids)

Option of the generation method

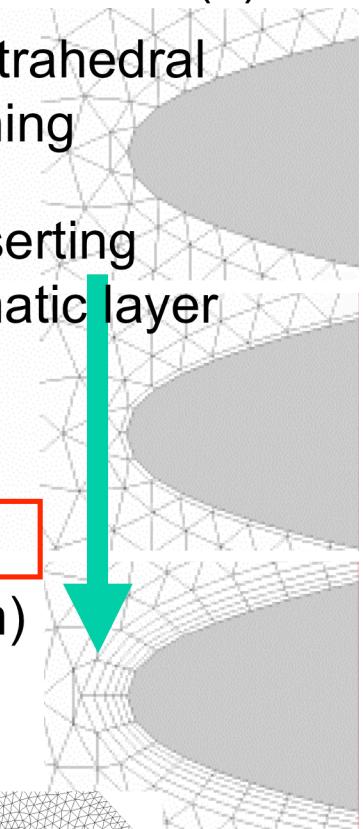
- (a) Delauney (tetra) → insertion of prismatic layer (prism)
  - (b) Advancing front (tetra) → insertion of prism layer (prism)
  - (c) Advancing layer (prism) → Advancing front (tetra)
- (a) is used for the computations



Procedure of (a)

1. Tetrahedral meshing

2. Inserting prismatic layer



## Grid information

### Structured grid (Simple)

Config.	Density	Nodes	Surf.Nodes	BL1stCellSize	GrowthRate	TE Cells
DLR-F6	Coarse	3.1M	47K	0.0006[mm]	1.29	8
	Medium	9.8M	100K	0.0004[mm]	1.17	12
	Fine	29.8M	209K	0.00027[mm]	1.12	16
DLR-F6 FX2B	Coarse	3.3M	49K	0.0006[mm]	1.29	8
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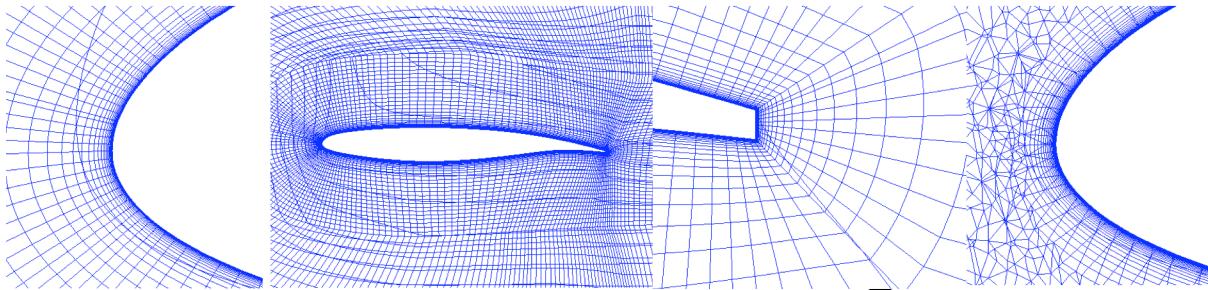
### Unstructured grid

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DLR-F6	Coarse	5.4M	134K	0.0006[mm]	1.2	4
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	Fine	17.5M	368K	0.00027[mm]	1.2	6
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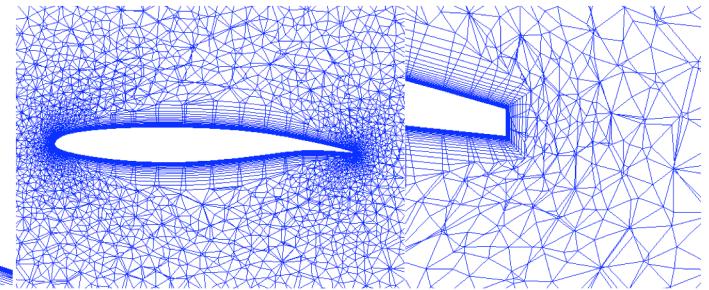
Different from the grid guideline

# Comparison of cross-sectional view at kink location

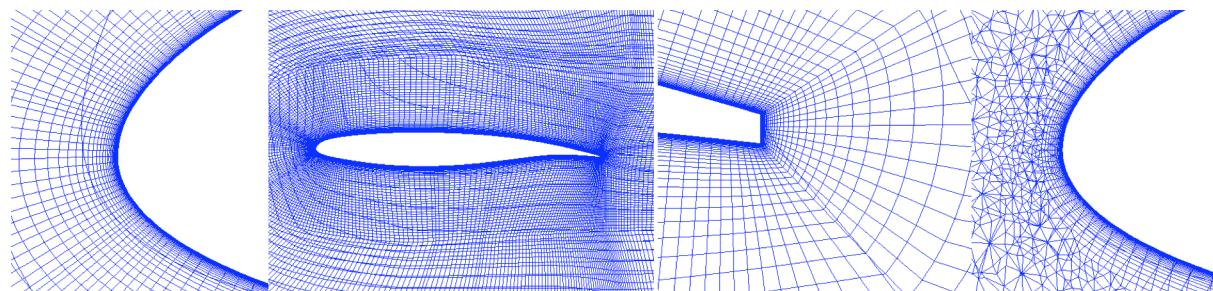
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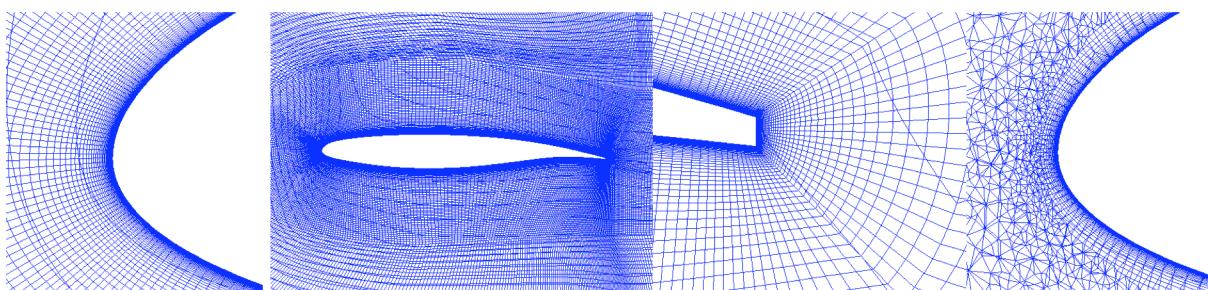
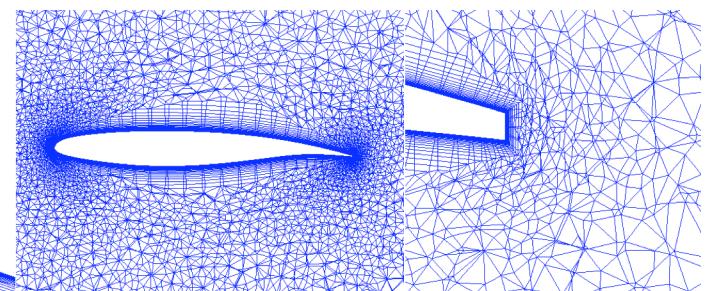
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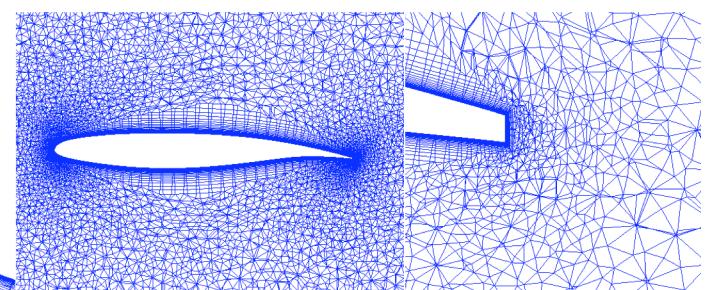
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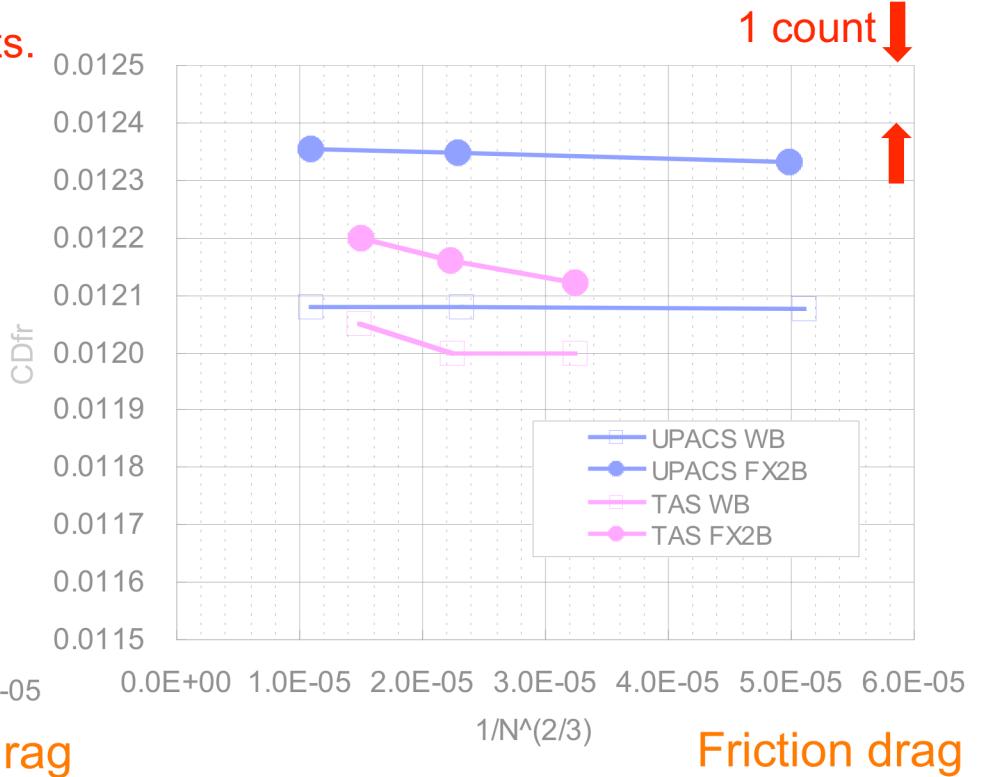
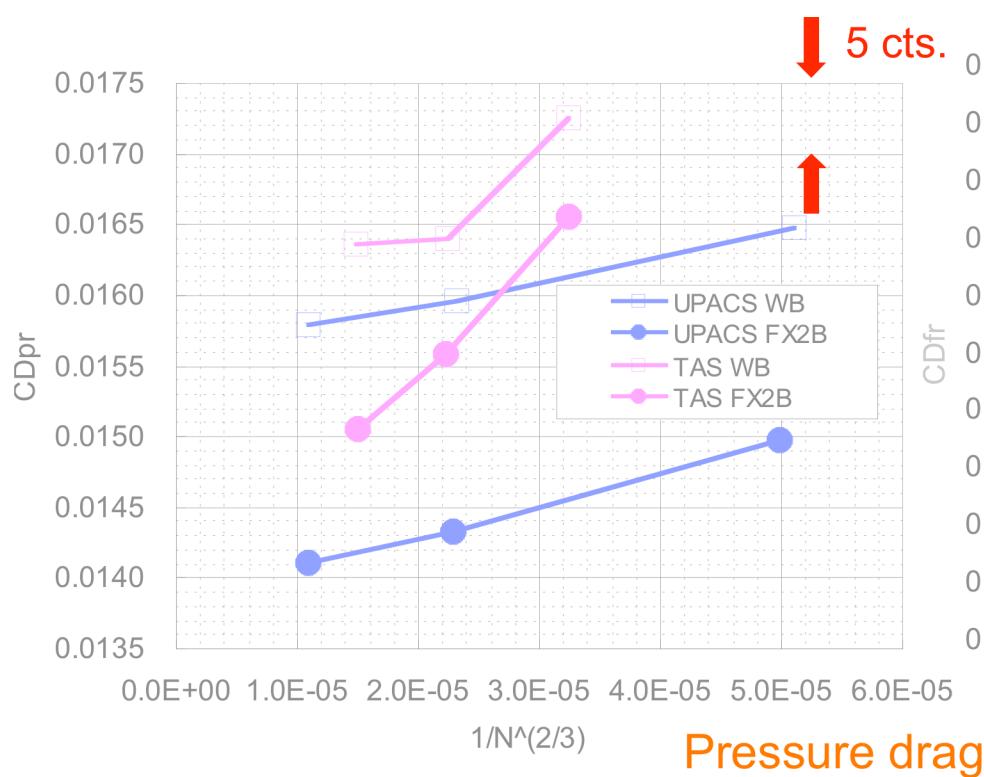
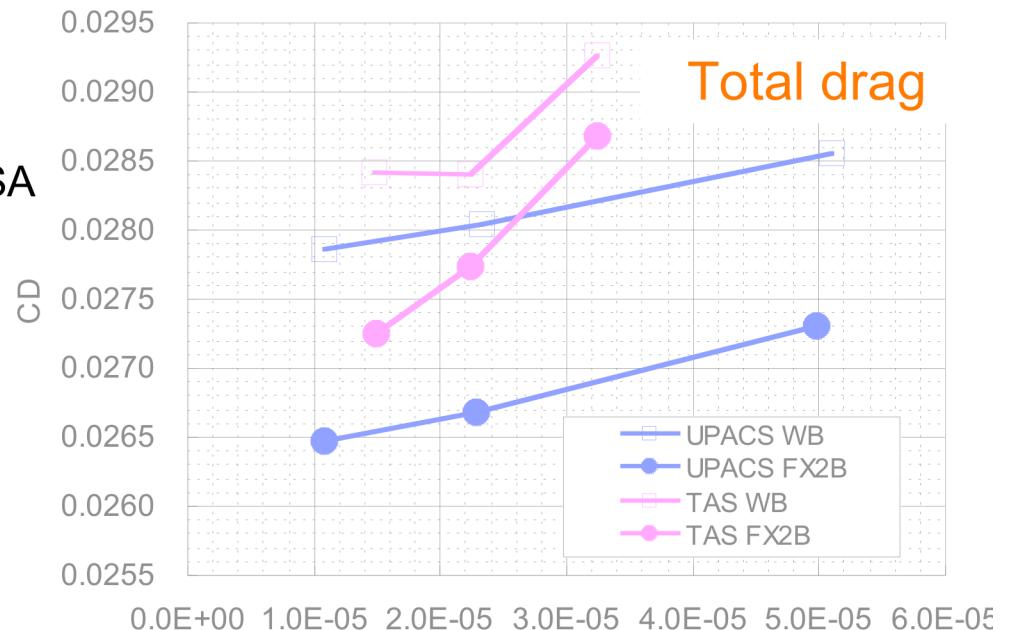
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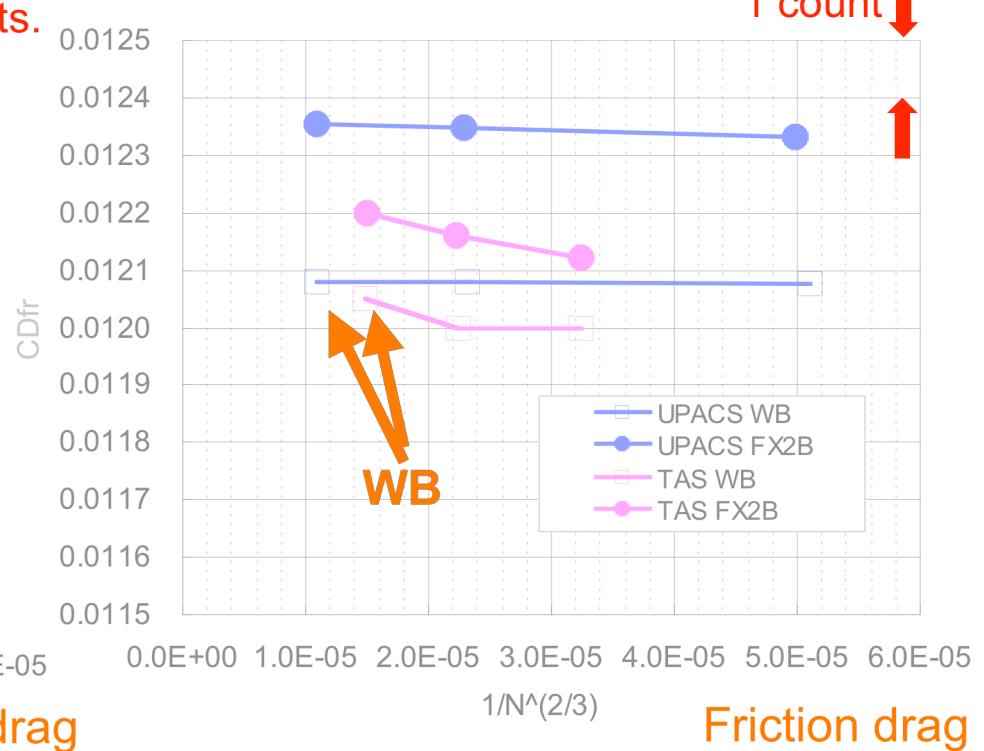
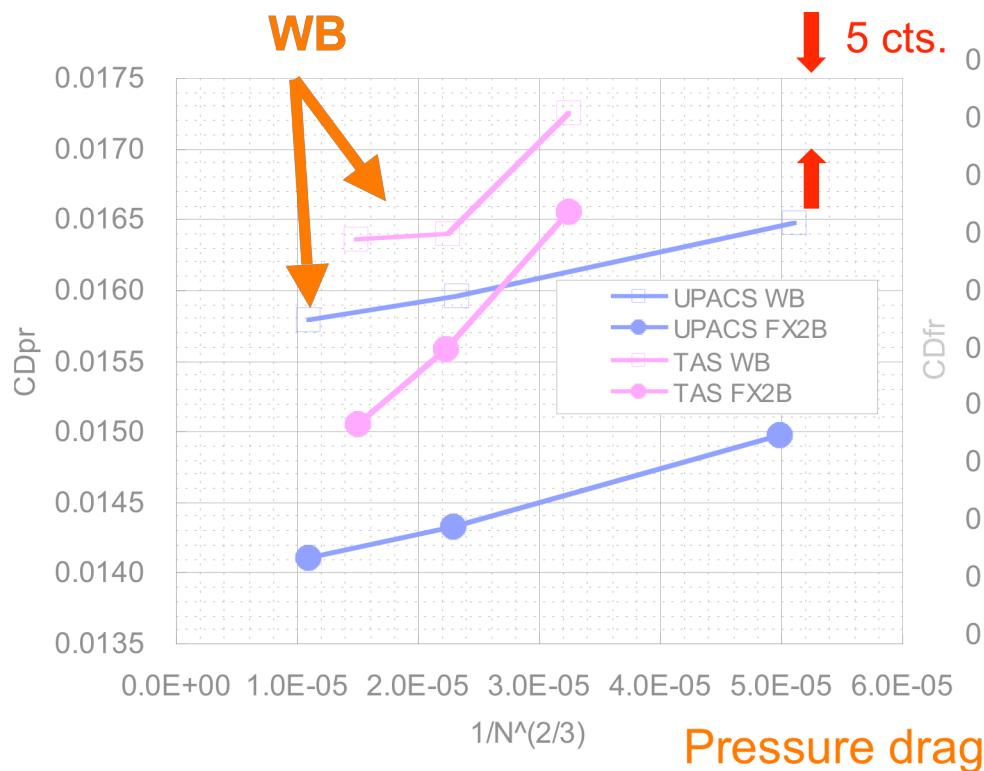
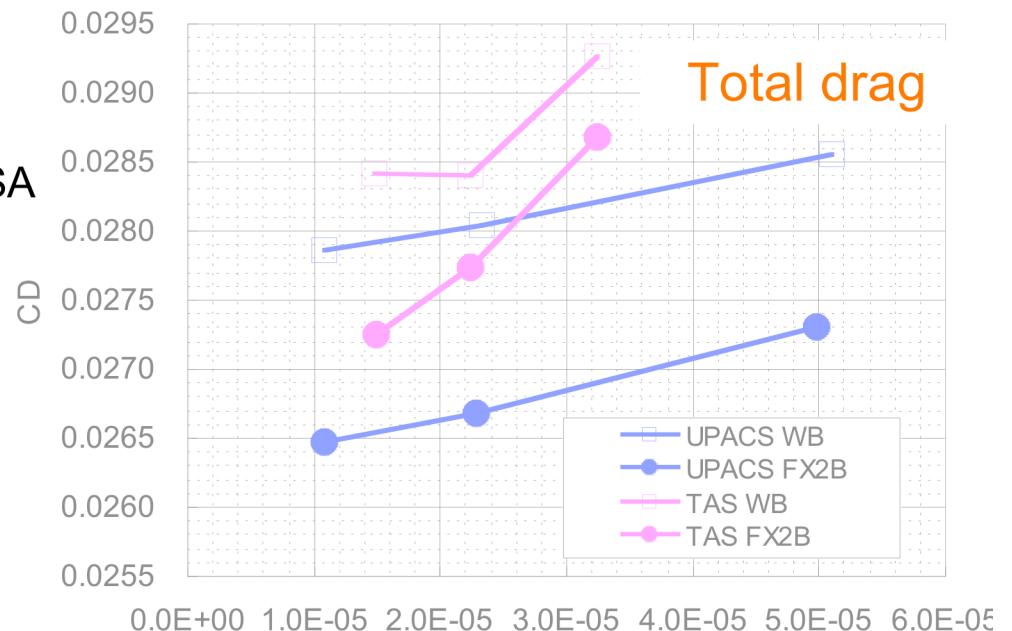
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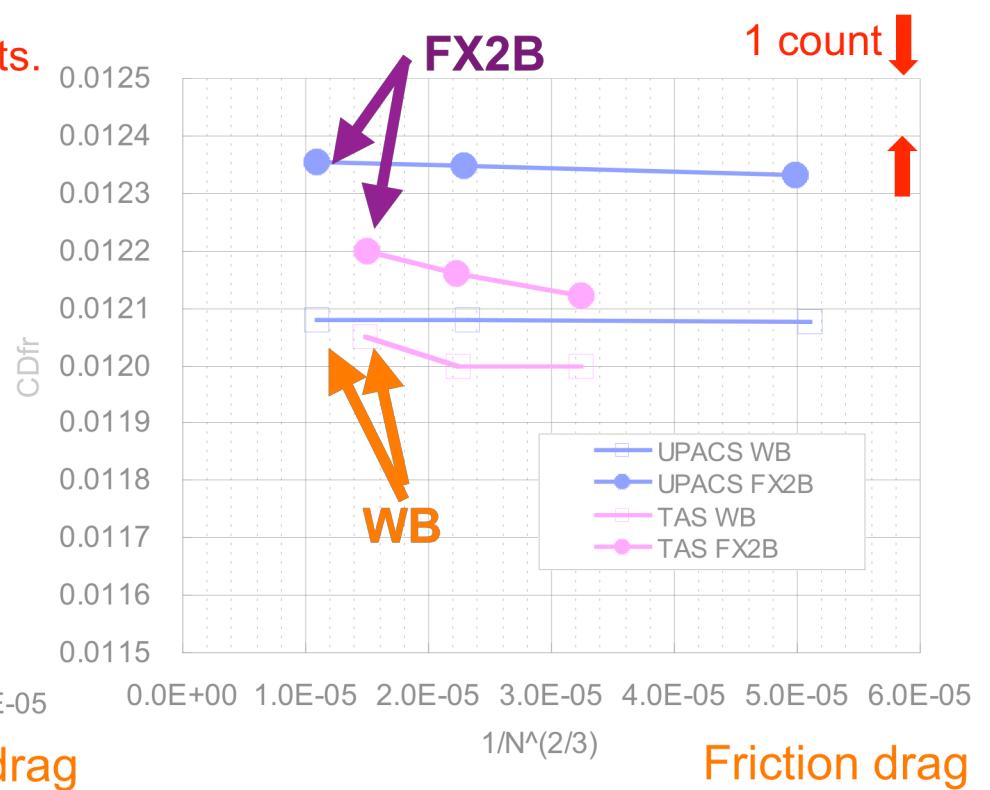
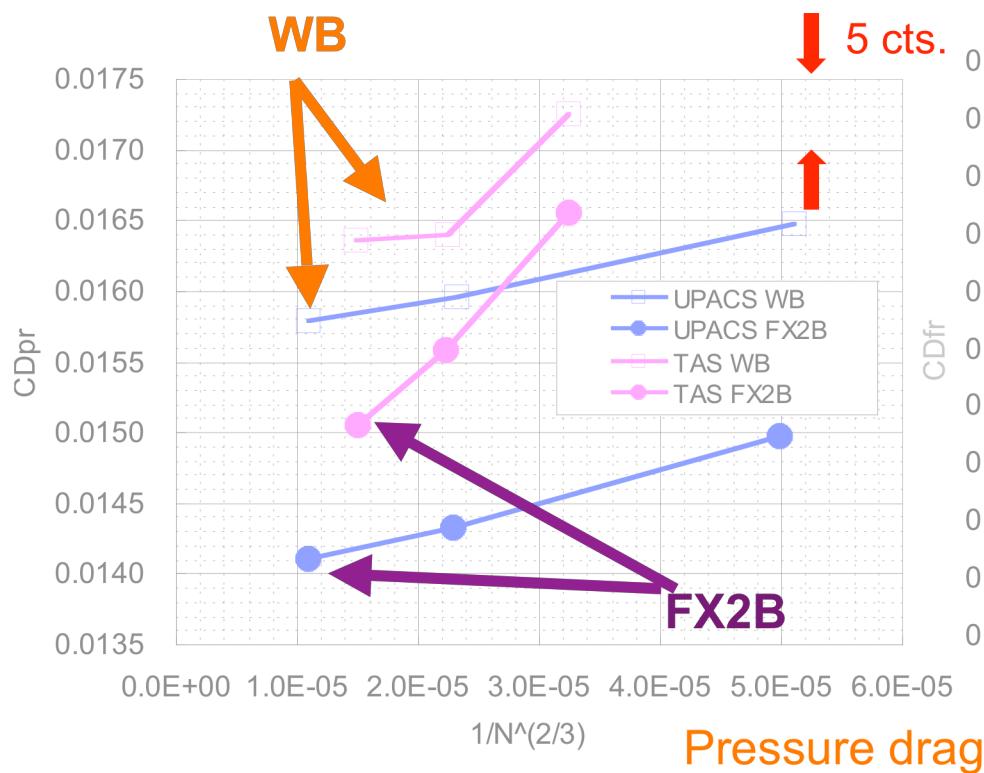
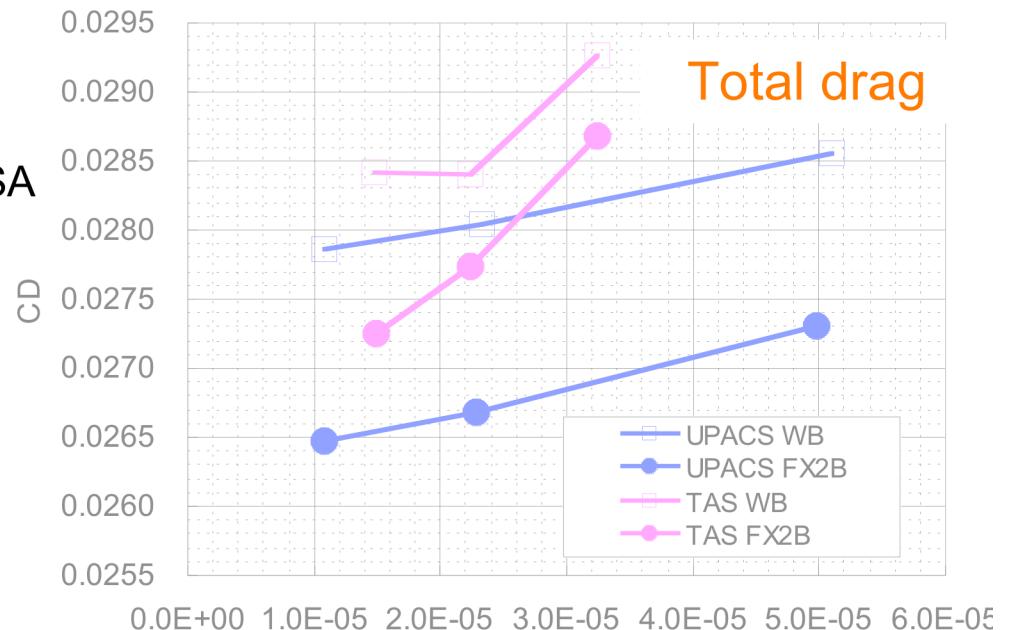
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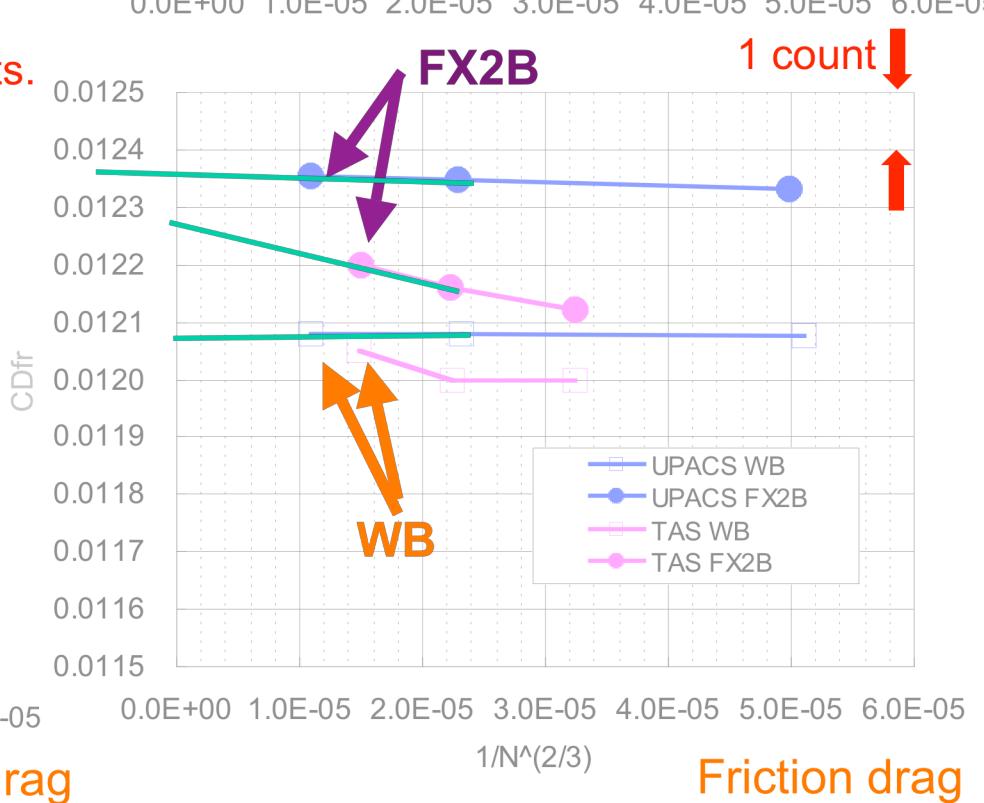
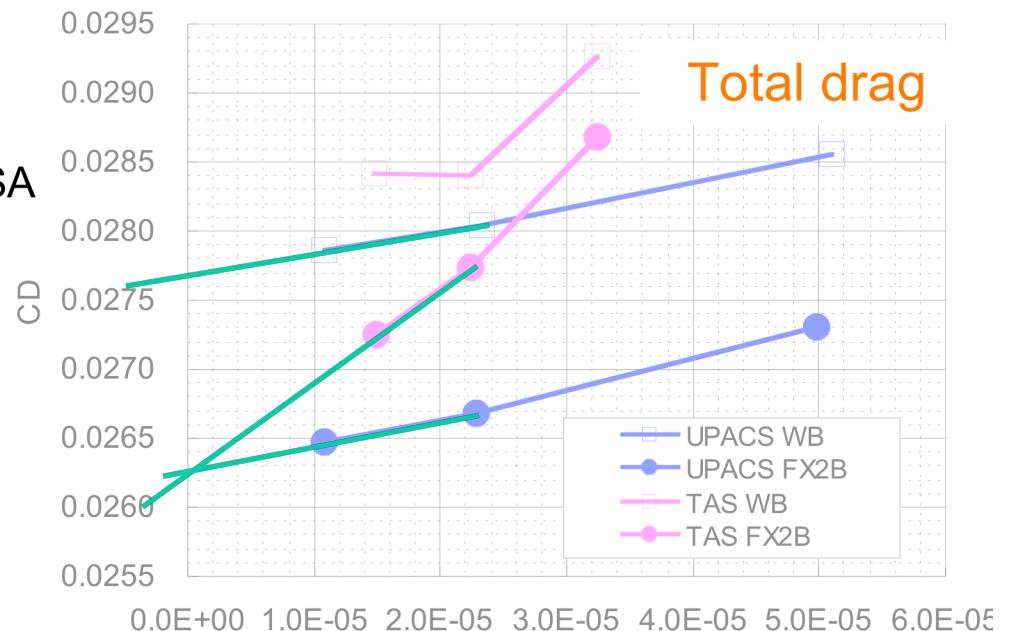
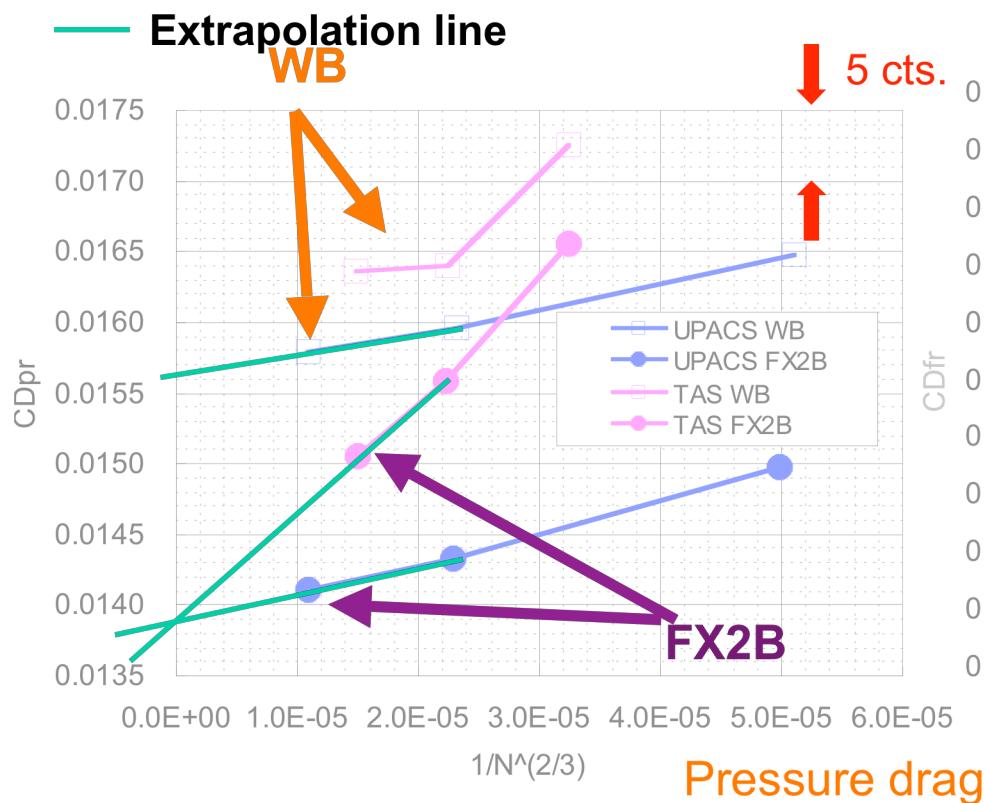
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# Comparison of CL-CD on medium grids

$\Delta CD_{WB-FX2B}$

at  $M=0.75$ ,  $Re=5\times 10^6$ , SA

UPACS:

10-14 cts.

TAS:

7 ~10 cts.

$\Delta CD_{UPACS-TAS}$

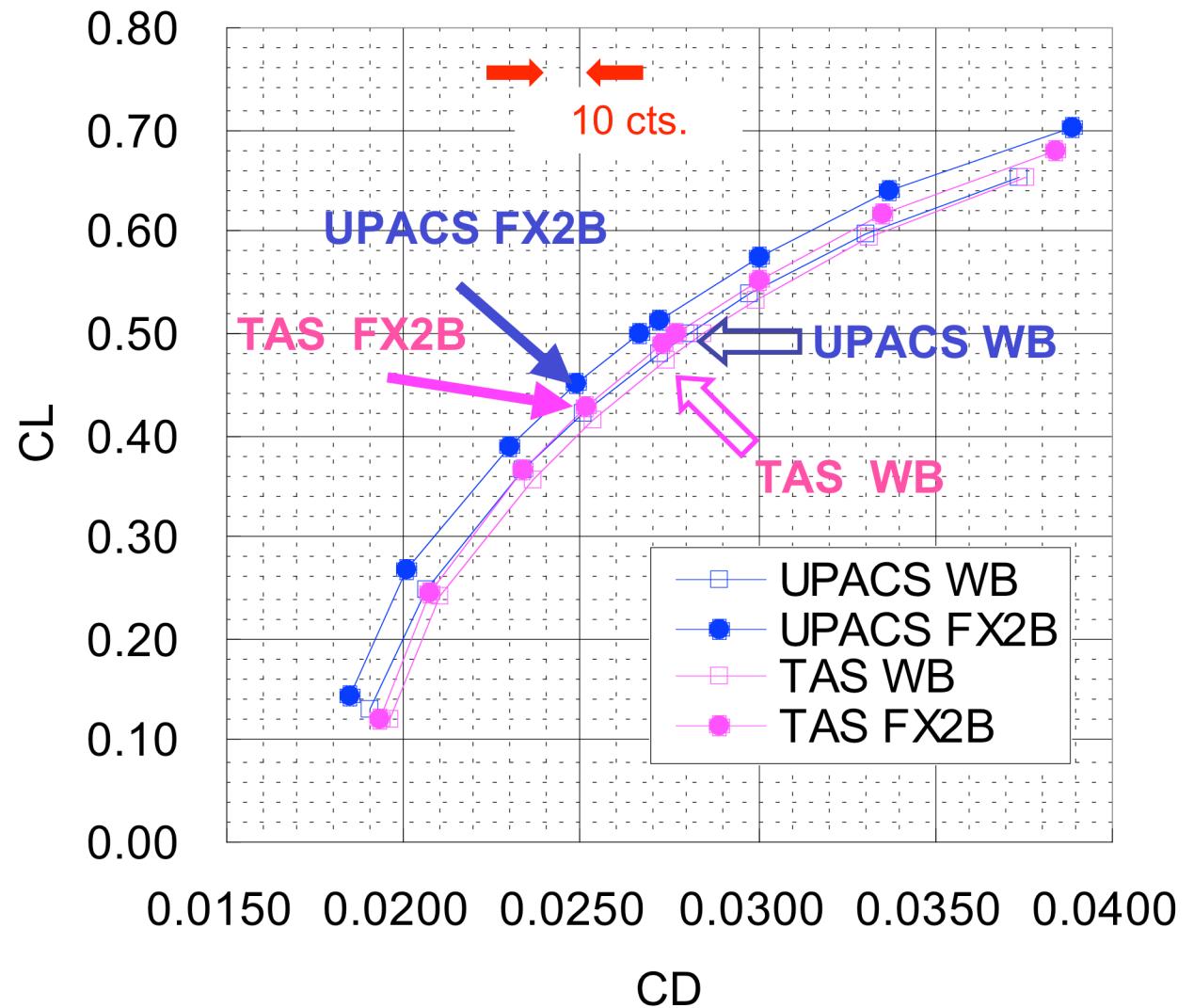
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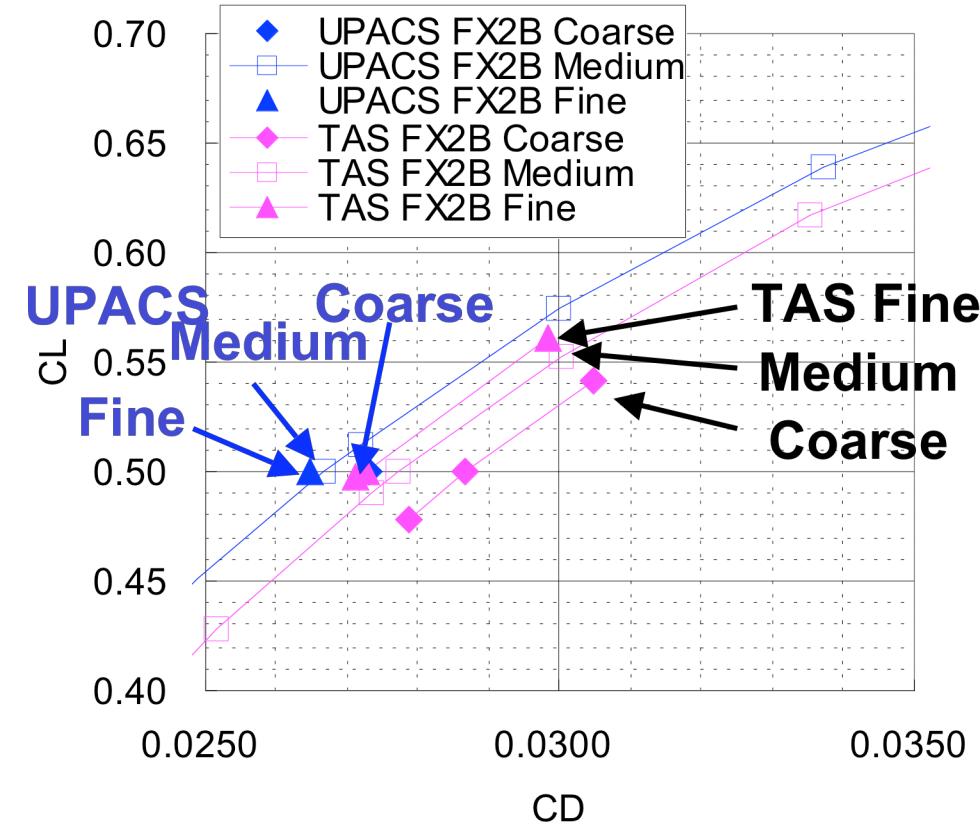
-10~13 cts. shift

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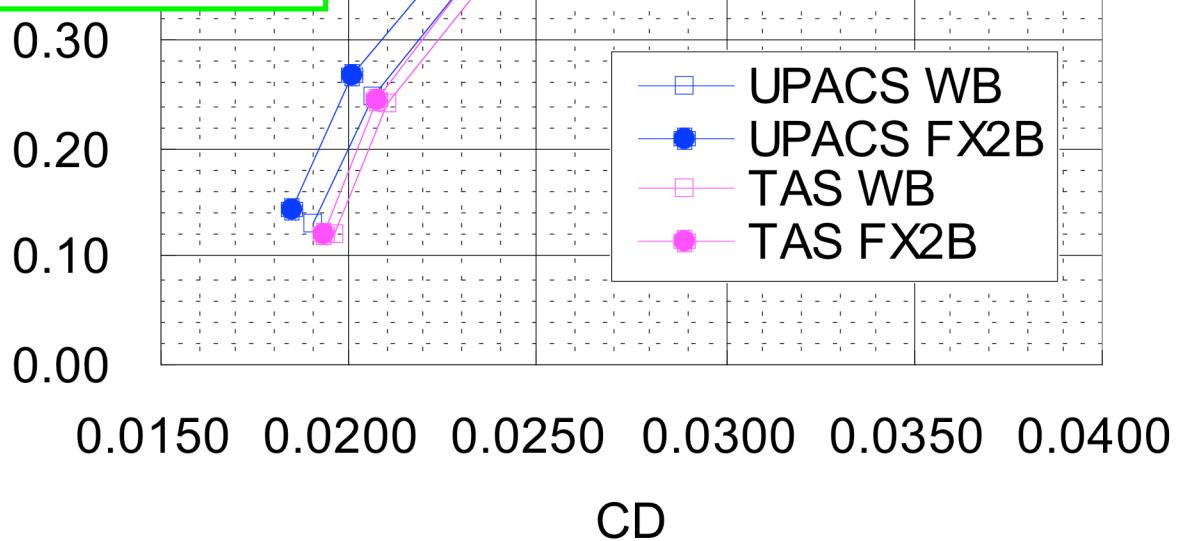
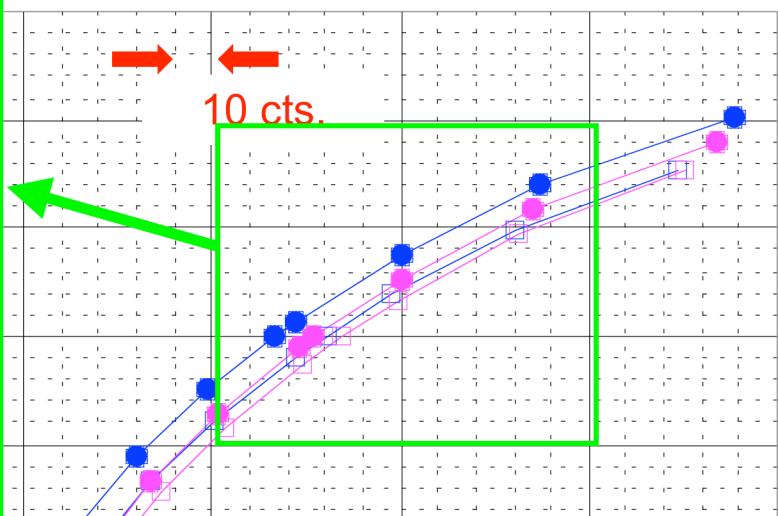
-5 cts. at lower  $\alpha$

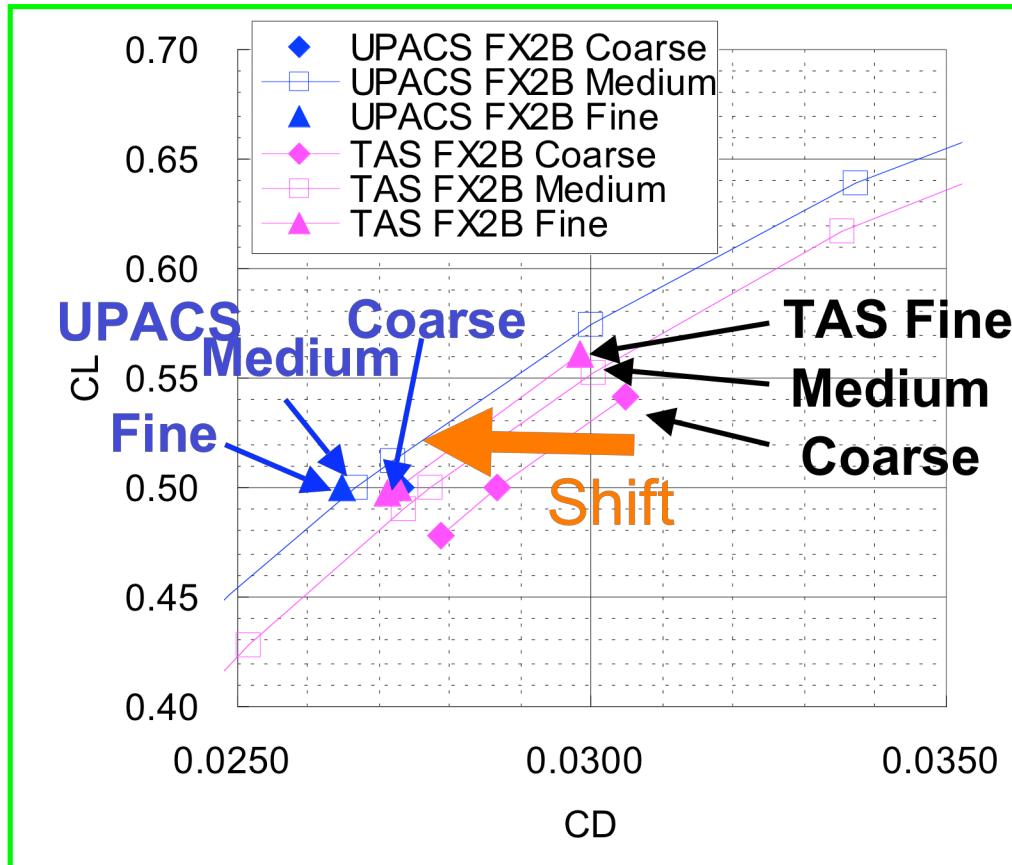
-1~2 cts. at upper  $\alpha$





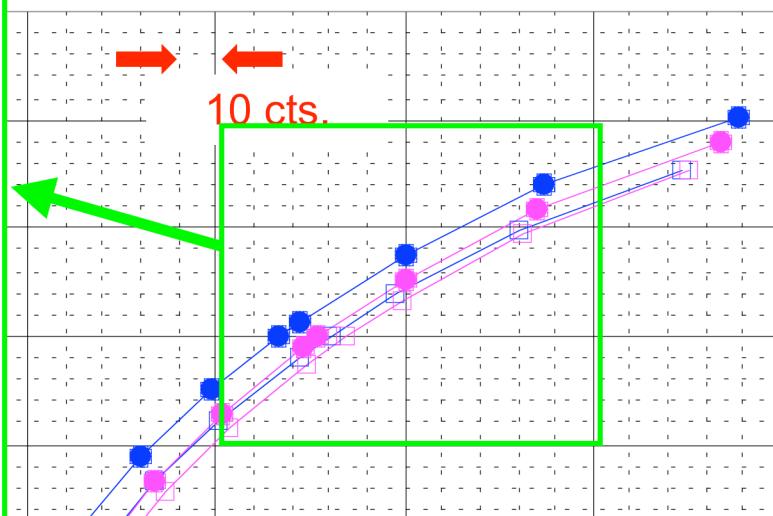
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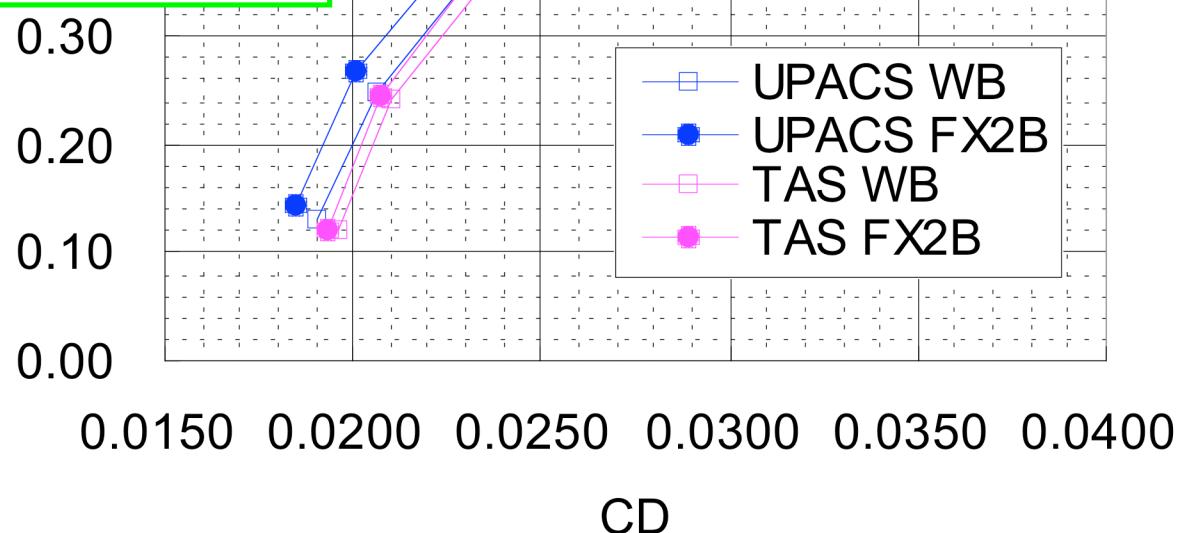


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By the increase of grid resolution, TAS showed better agreement with UPACS

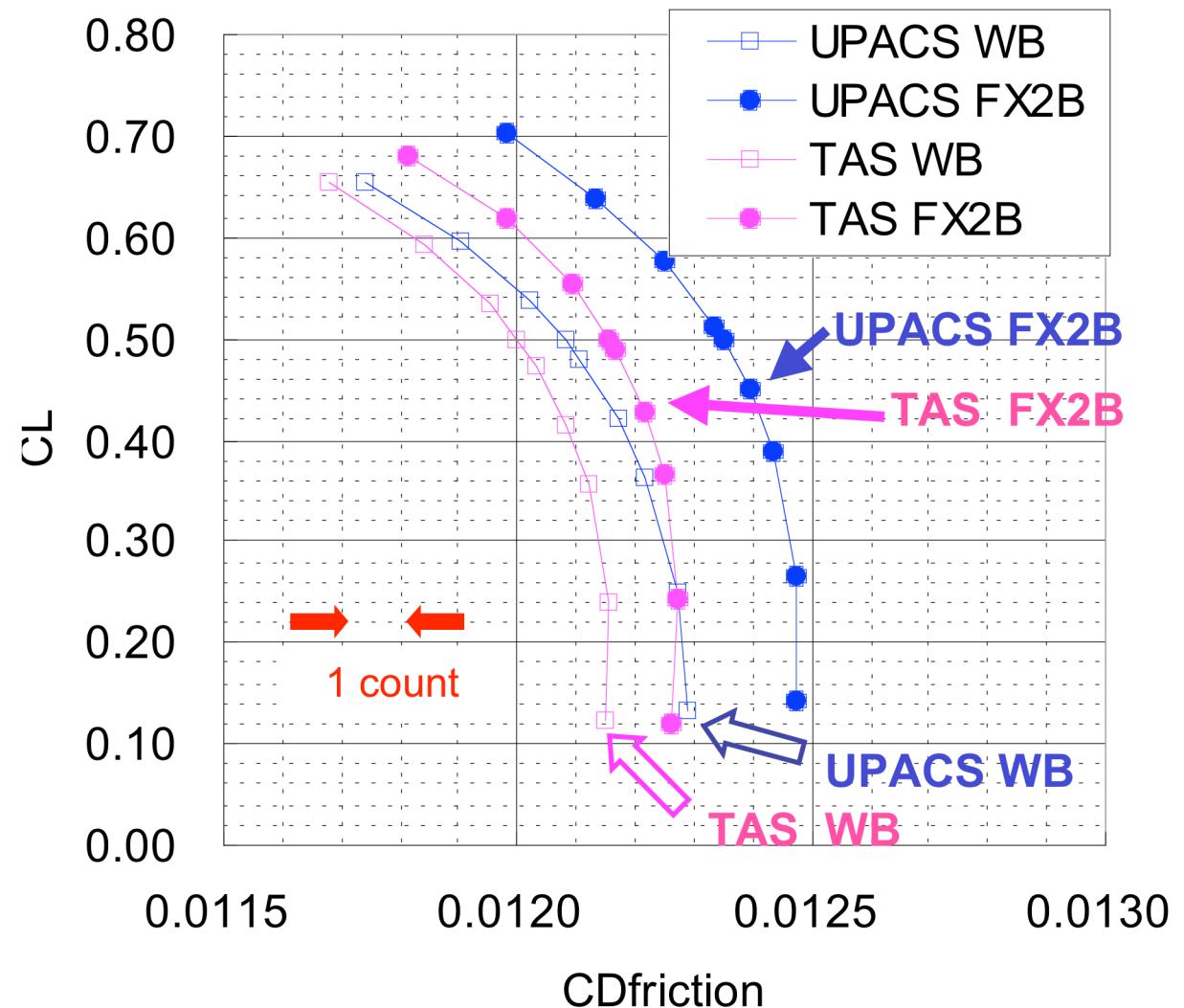


## Comparison of CDfr on medium grids

at  $M=0.75$ ,  $Re=5\times 10^6$ , SA

$\Delta CDfr_{FX2B-WB}$  : 1~3 cts.

$\Delta CDfr_{UPACS-TAS}$ : 1~2 cts.



# Comparison of CL-alpha and CL-CM on medium grids

at M=0.75, Re=5x10<sup>6</sup>, SA

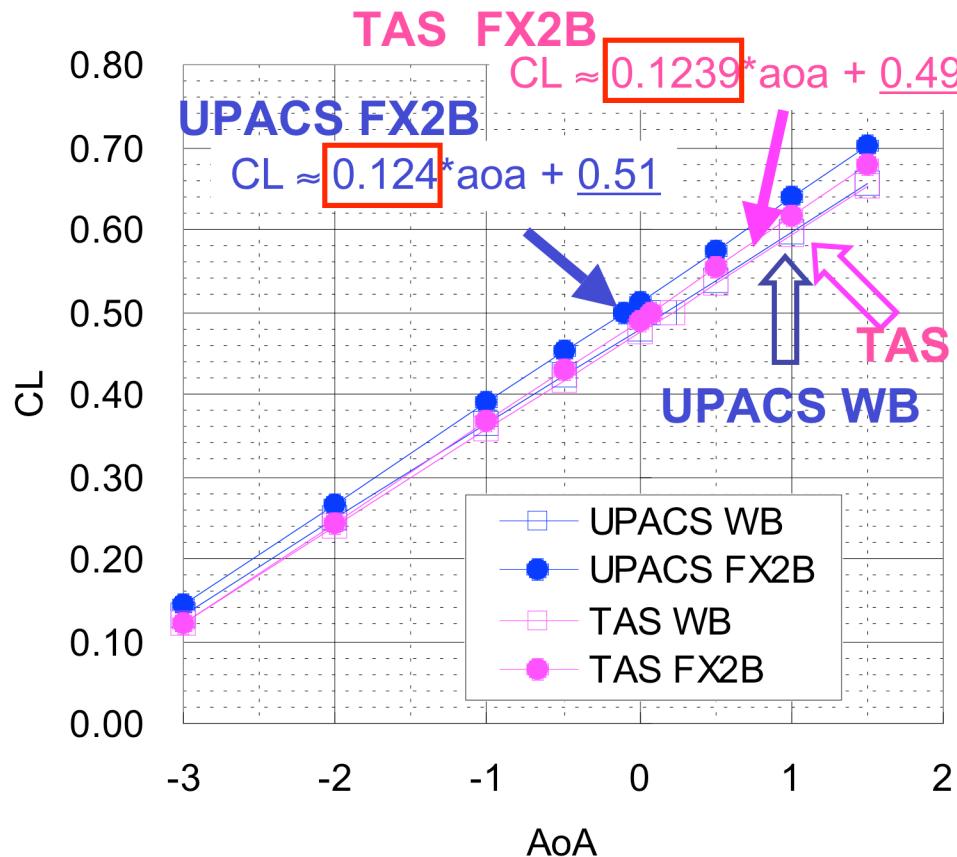
CL

WB:

Both codes show good agreement

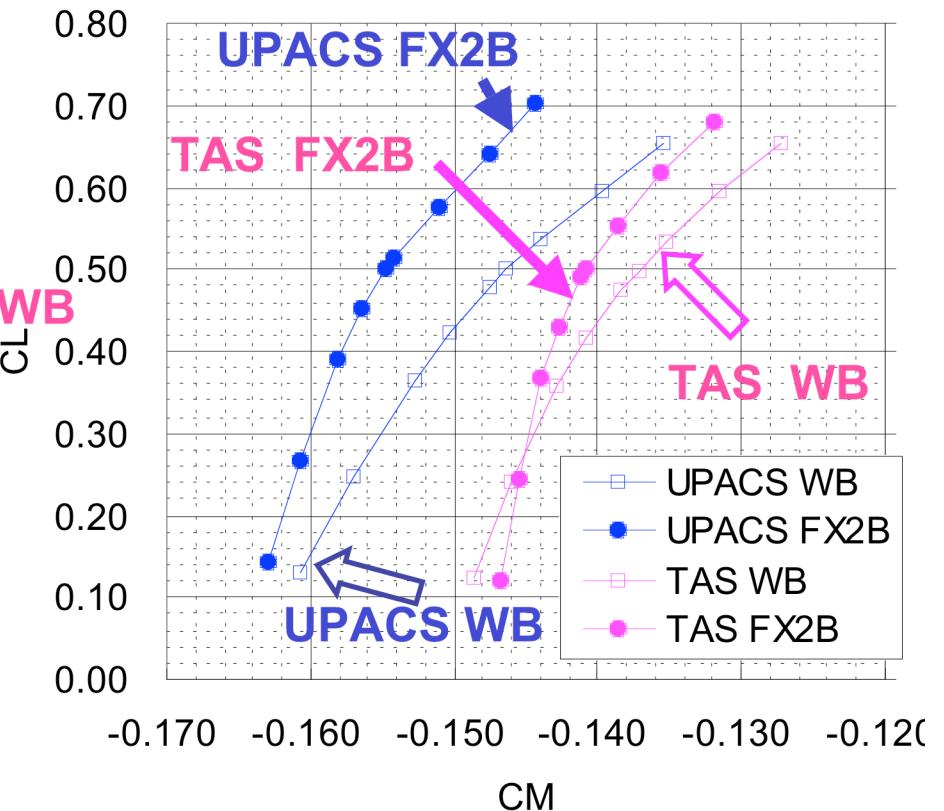
FX2B:

Shift of  $\Delta CL \approx 0.02$



CM

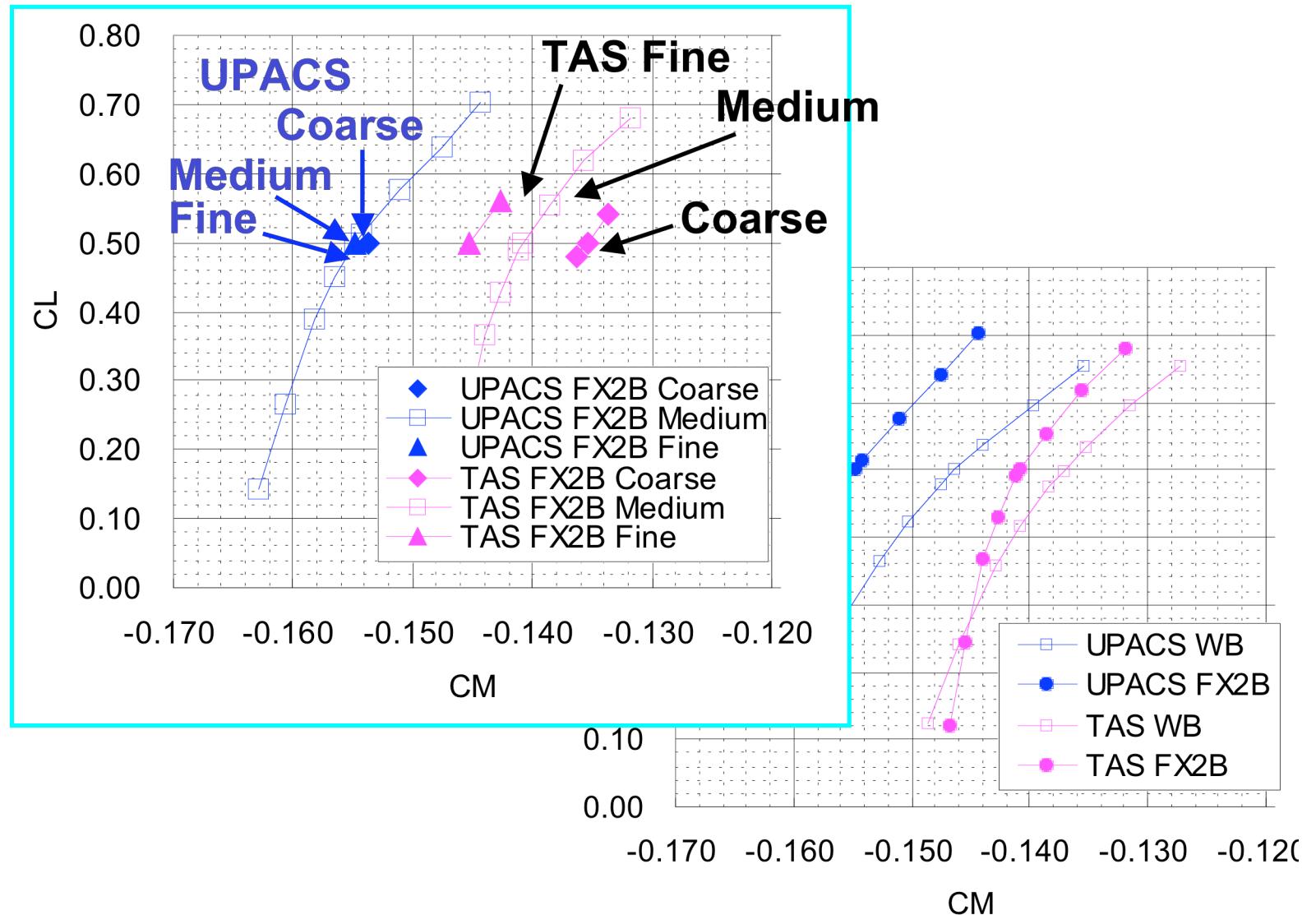
Shift of  $\Delta CM \approx 0.01 \sim 0.015$  between the codes



# Grid dependency of CL-CM

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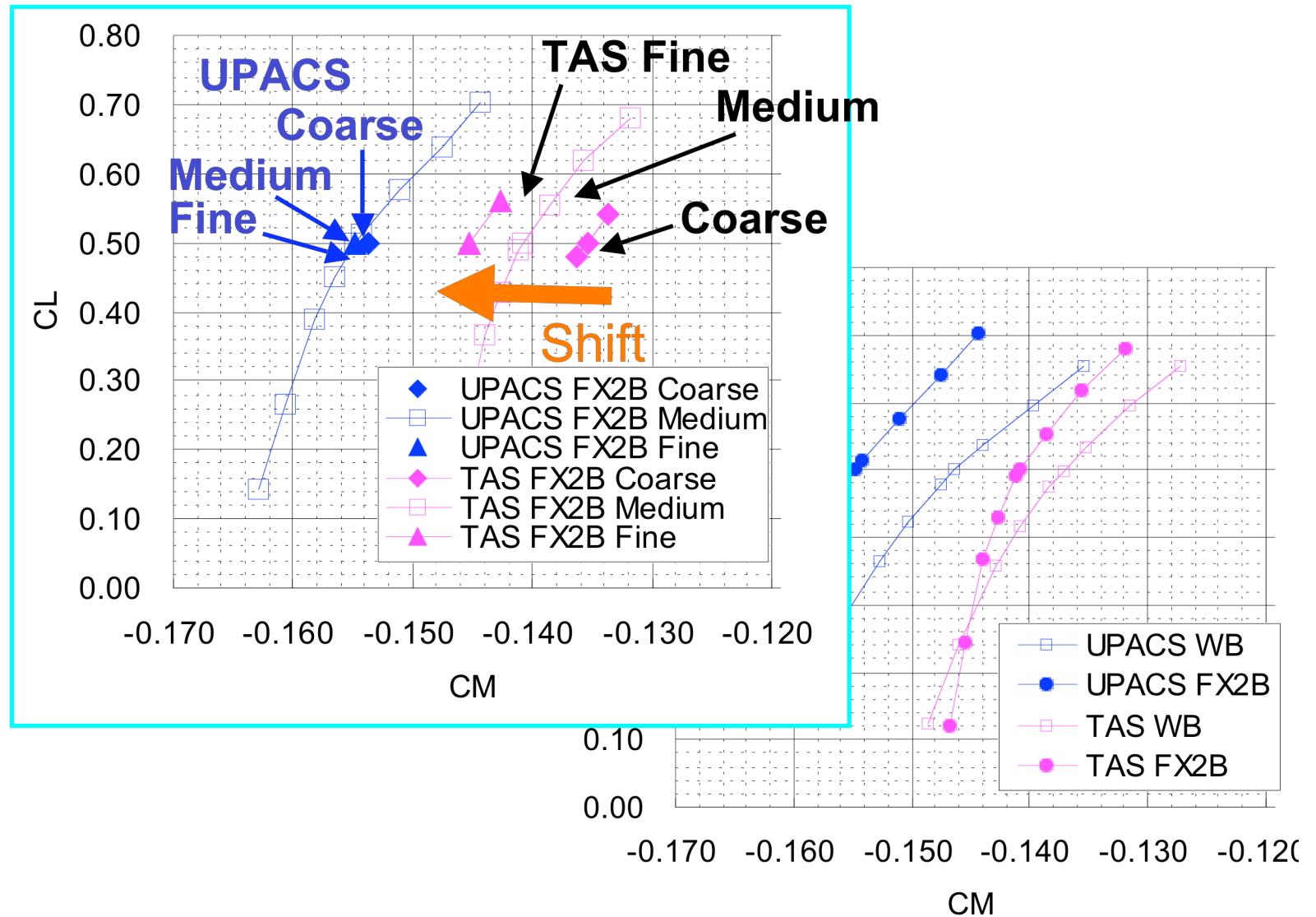
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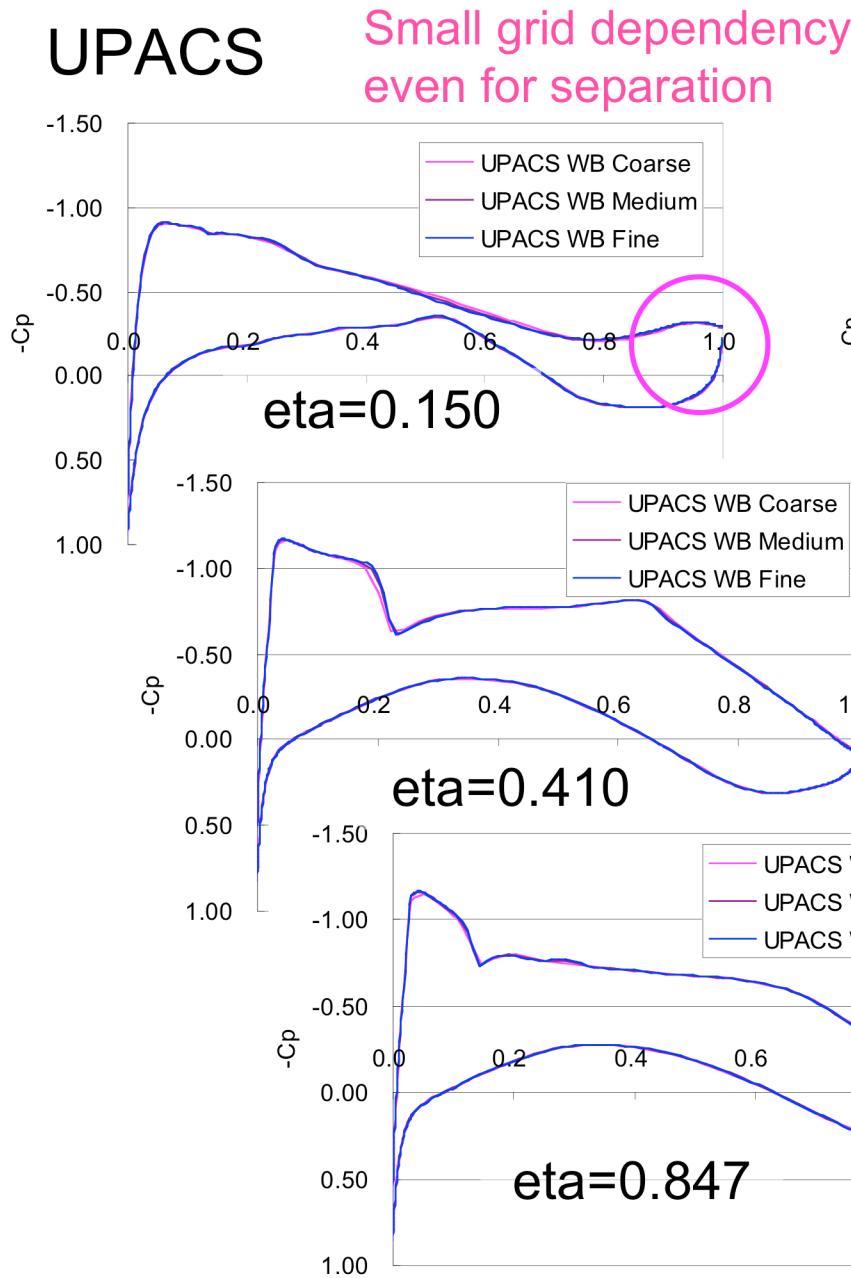
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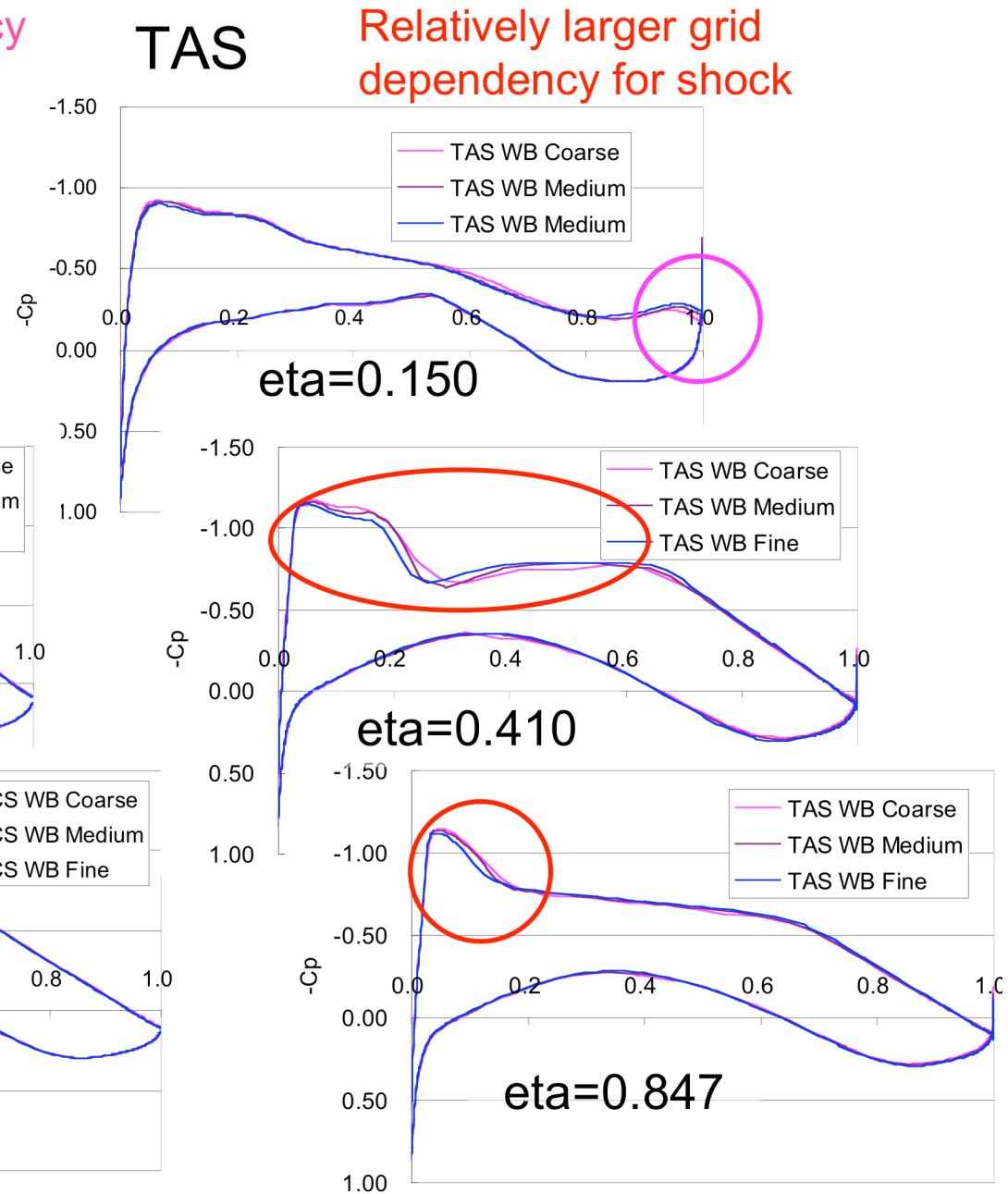


# Grid dependency of Cp for WB Configuration

UPACS



TAS

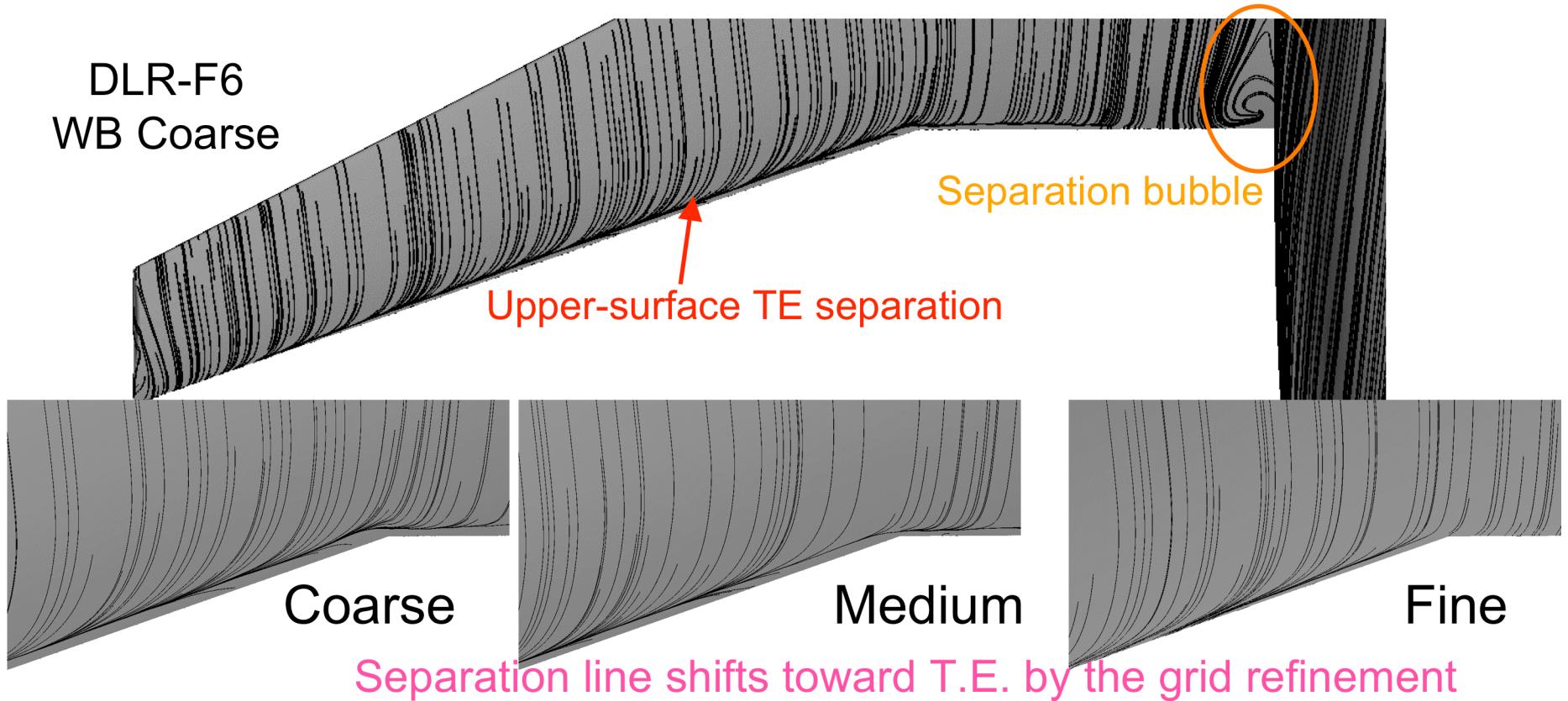


# Upper-surface trailing-edge separation location

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TAS

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	Coarse(AoA0.274)	Medium(AoA0.213)	Fine(AoA0.104)	Coarse(AoA0.168)	Medium(AoA0.081)	Fine(AoA0.017)
0.15	0.834	0.82	0.81	1	1	1
0.239	1	1	1	0.987	1	1
0.331	0.982	0.995	1	0.981	0.984	0.986
0.377	0.984	0.99	1	0.982	0.984	0.987
0.411	0.972	0.985	0.987	0.967	0.976	0.979
0.514	0.971	0.981	0.997	0.967	0.968	0.978
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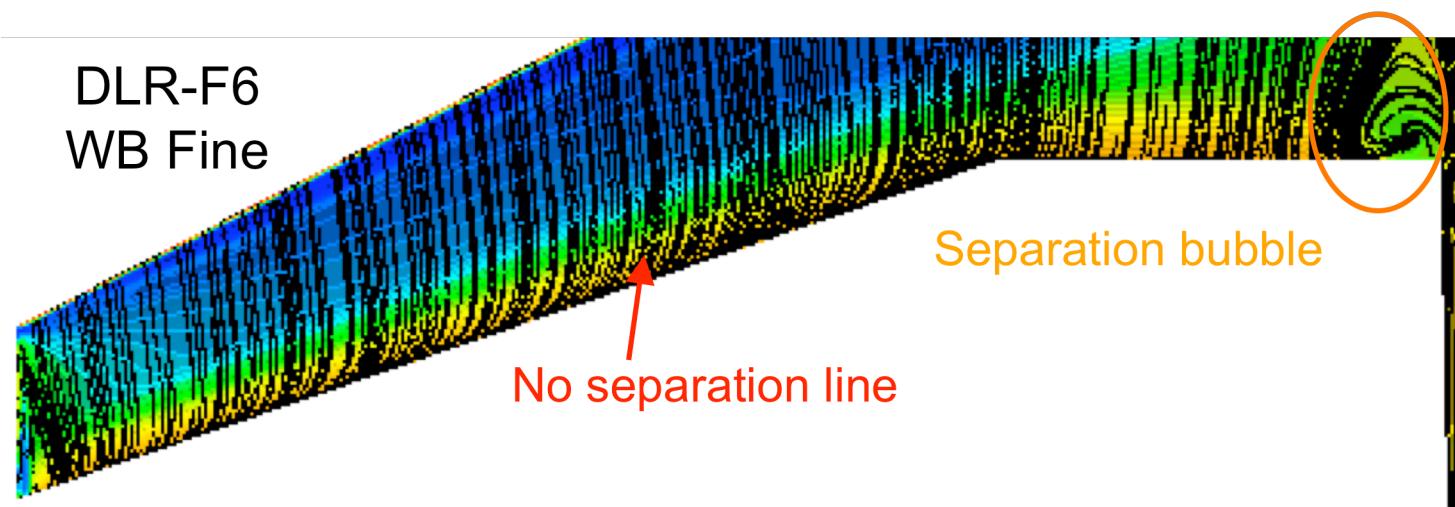
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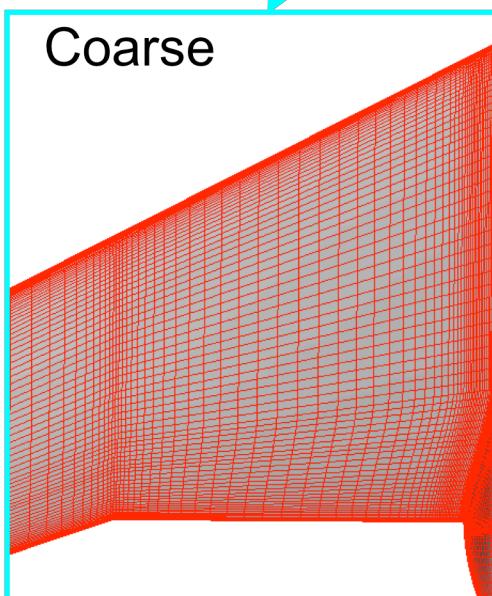
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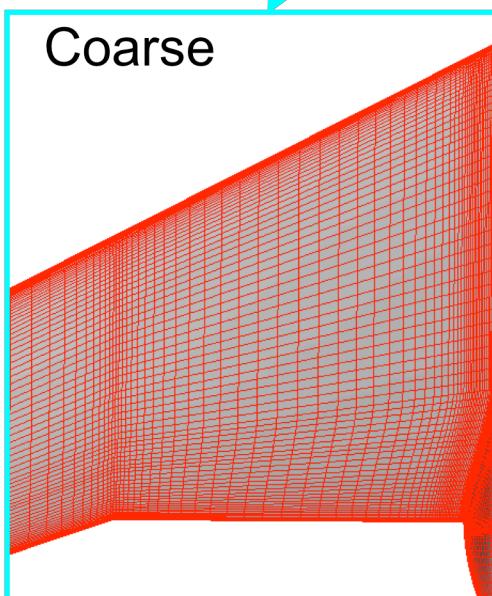
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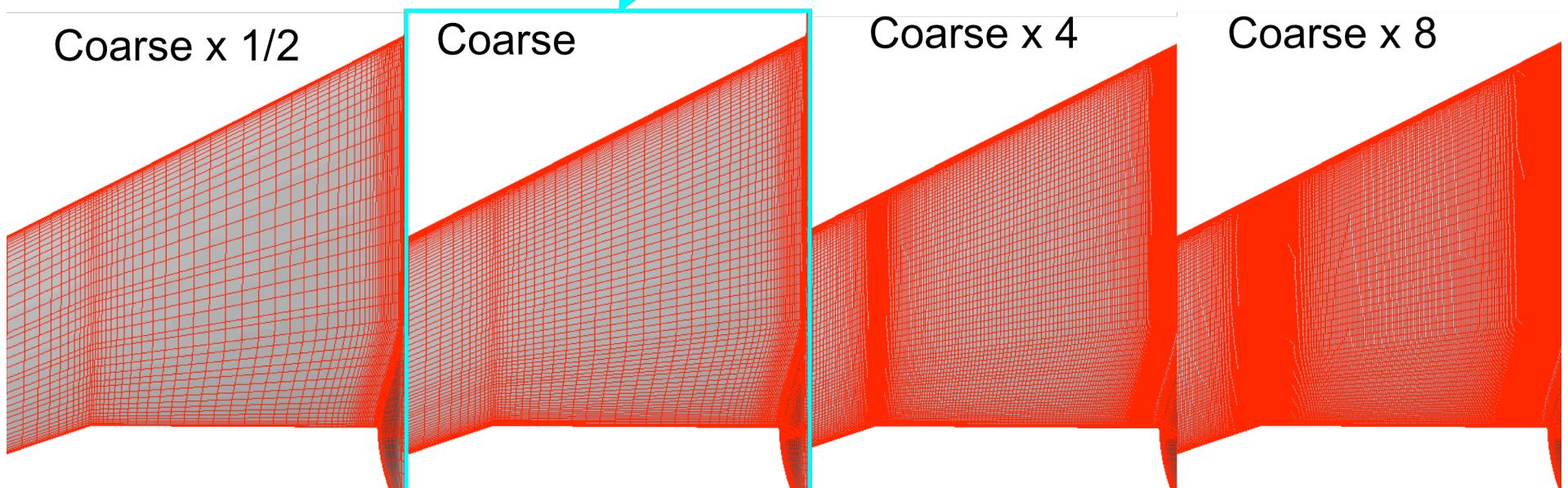
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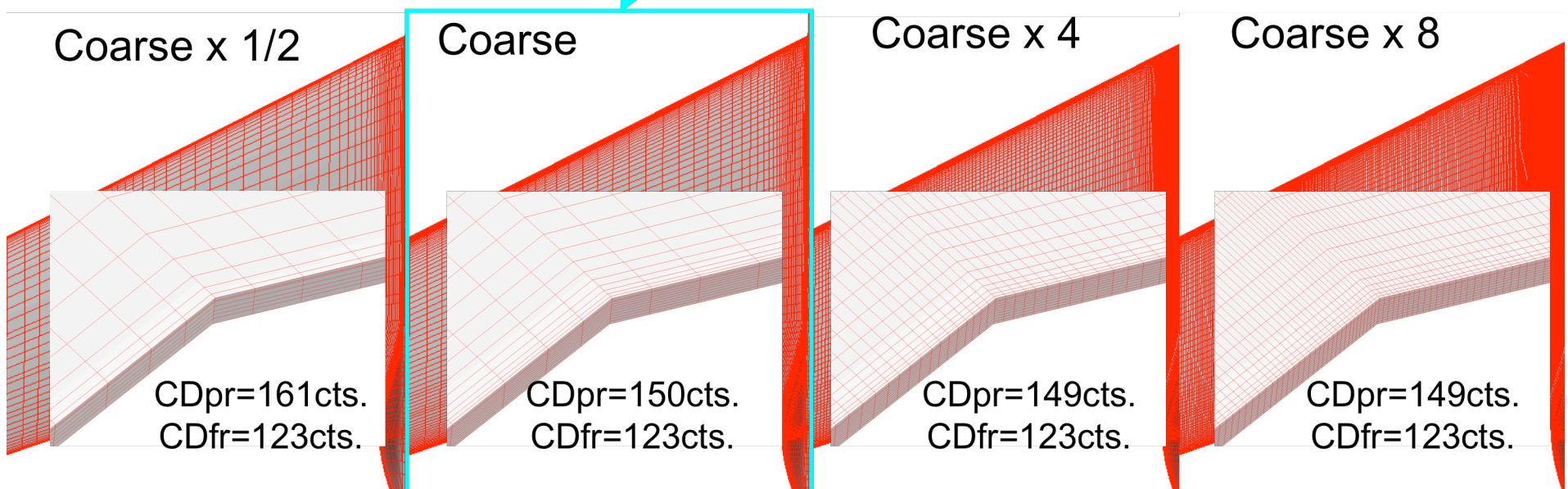
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0.377	1	1	1	1	1	1
0.411	1	1	1	1	1	1
0.514	1	1	1	1	1	1
0.638	1	1	1	1	1	1

No separation line near T.E. on all grids

Spanwise refinement to decrease aspect ratio of grid

(Change of spanwise grid resolution by 1/2x , 4x, 8x)



# Upper-surface trailing-edge separation location

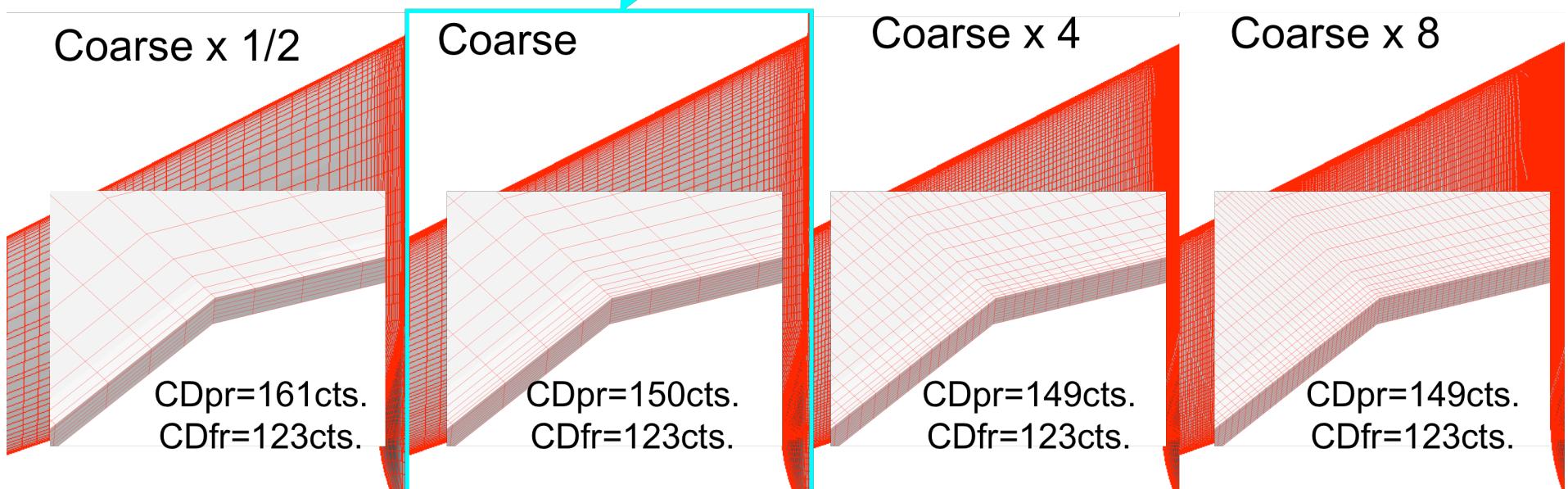
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UPACS

Y/BO2	DLR-F6 WB			DLR-F6 WB FX2B		
	Coarse(AoA0.151)	Medium(AoA0.174)	Fine(AoA0.188)	Coarse(AoA-0.104)	Medium(AoA-0.104)	Fine(AoA-0.096)
0.15			0.804	1	1	1
0.239	1	1	1	1	1	1
0.331	1	1	1	1	1	1
0.377	1	1	1	1	1	1
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# Separation bubble near the wing-fuselage junction

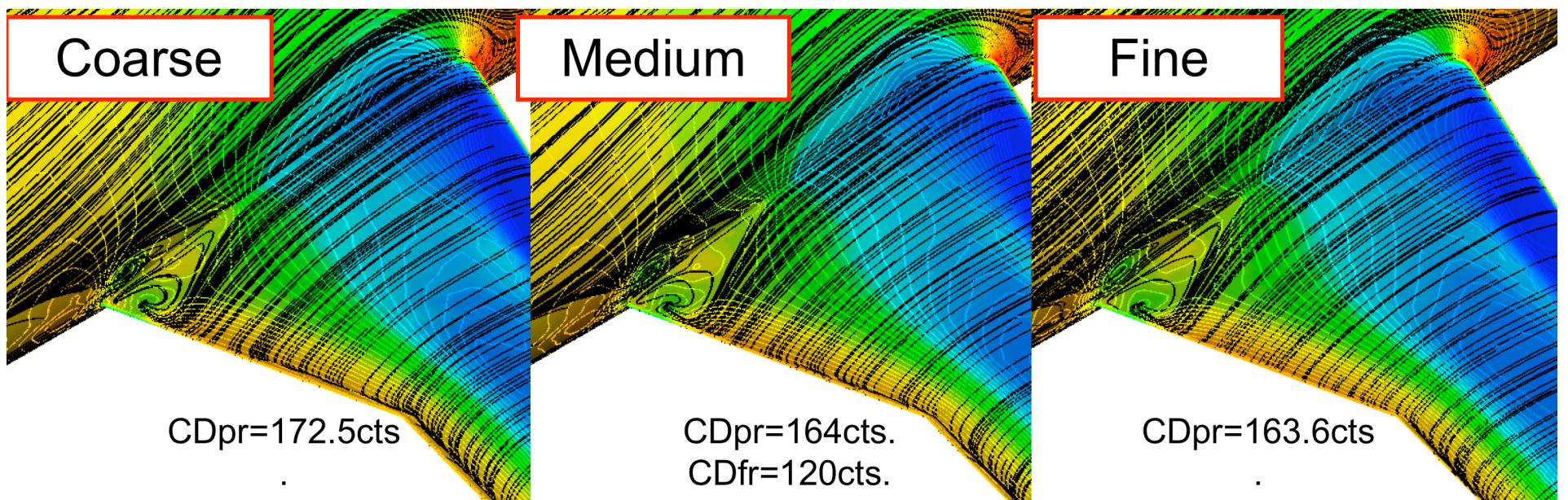
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Comparison by the grid density

TAS

The size of the separation bubble does not change largely

GRID	FS_BUB	BL_BUB	WL_BUB	FS_EYE_W	BL_EYE_W	WL_EYE_W	FS_EYE_B	BL_EYE_B	WL_EYE_B
COARSE	170.91	84.51	5.52	232.27	81.34	-7.12	232.62	70.65	2.49
MEDIUM	165.52	85.83	5.64	233.01	82.62	-7.34	233.49	70.94	3.42
FINE	165.63	84.72	7.79	233.25	83.09	-7.17	233.86	71.19	4.25



# Separation bubble near the wing-fuselage junction

at  $CL=0.5$ ,  $M=0.75$ ,  $Re=5\times 10^6$ , SA

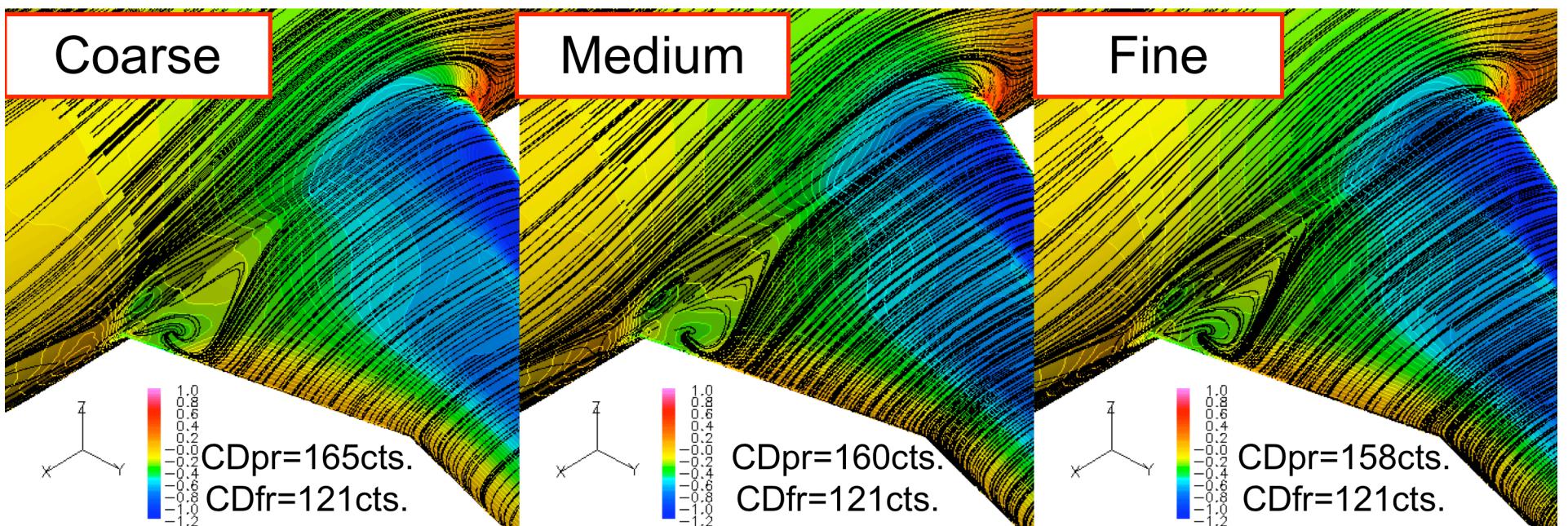
Comparison by the grid density

## UPACS

The size does not change largely

The size is a little larger than that by unstructured grids

GRID	FS_BUB	BL_BUB	WL_BUB	FS_EYE_W	BL_EYE_W	WL_EYE_W	FS_EYE_B	BL_EYE_B	WL_EYE_B
COARSE	141.48	107.74	18.92	231.48	84.65	-6.3	236.28	71.97	7.33
MEDIUM	138.94	108.58	17.37	231.29	84.9	-6.19	234.96	72.24	8.04
FINE	134.14	109.22	17.37	231.19	85.34	-6.08	235.24	72.36	8.33



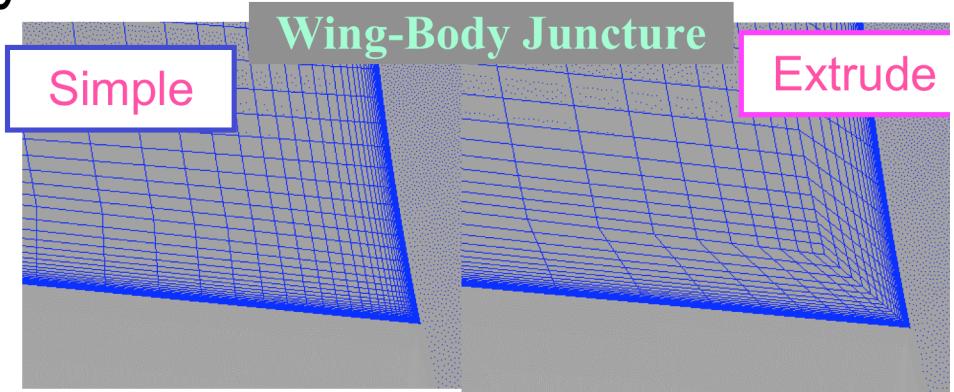
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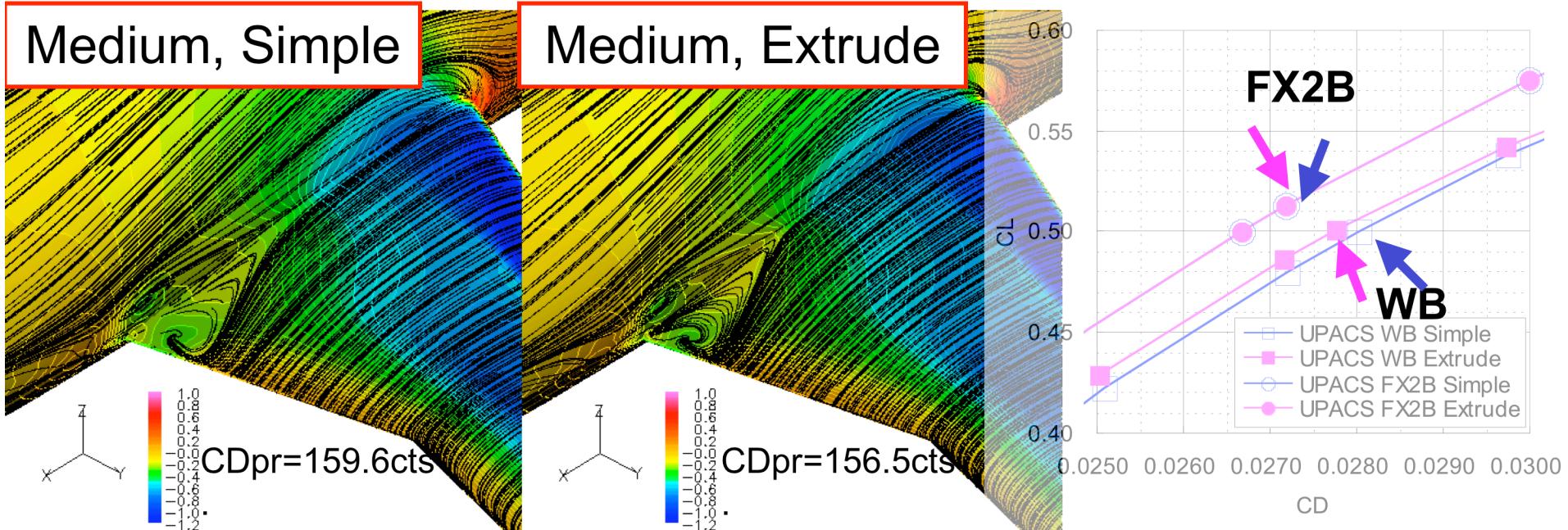
Comparison by the grid topology at the corner

## UPACS

The size becomes smaller on the grid using extrude type



GRID	FS_BUB	BL_BUB	WL_BUB	FS_EYE_W	BL_EYE_W	WL_EYE_W	FS_EYE_B	BL_EYE_B	WL_EYE_B
Simple	138.94	108.58	17.37	231.29	84.9	-6.19	234.96	72.24	8.04
Extrude	166.62	104.09	17.51	233.32	83.45	-7.13	234.26	71.91	6.76



# Separation bubble near the wing-fuselage junction

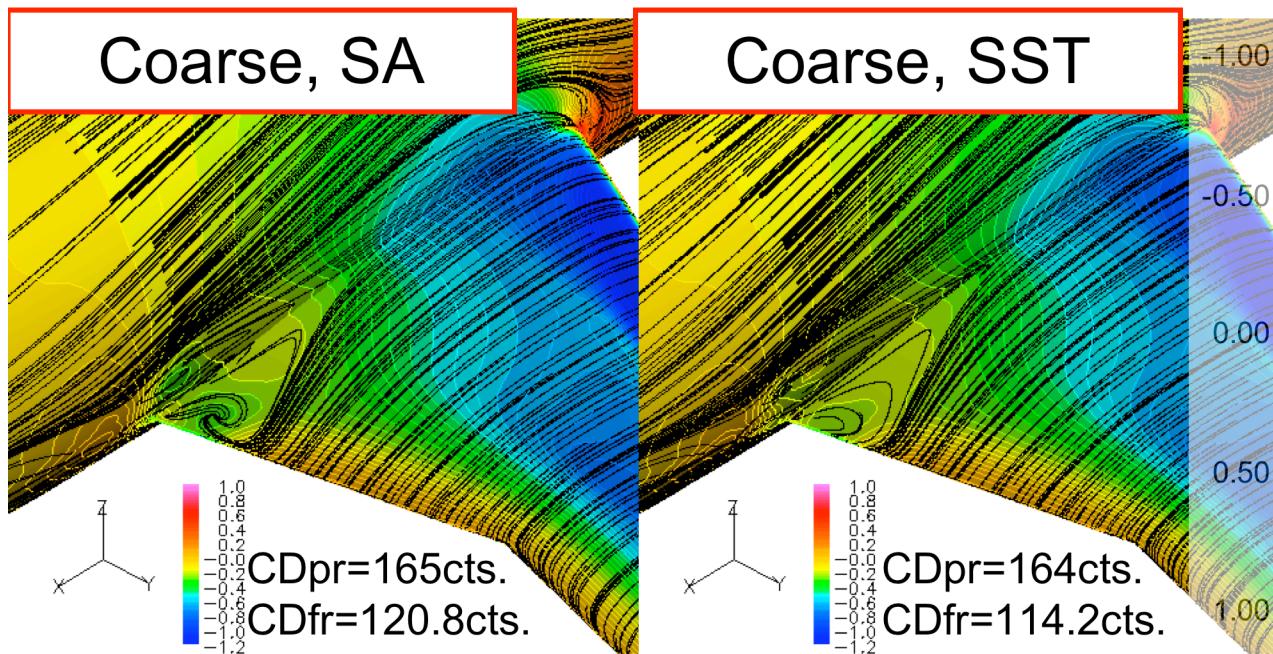
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Comparison by the turbulence model, SA and SST

## UPACS

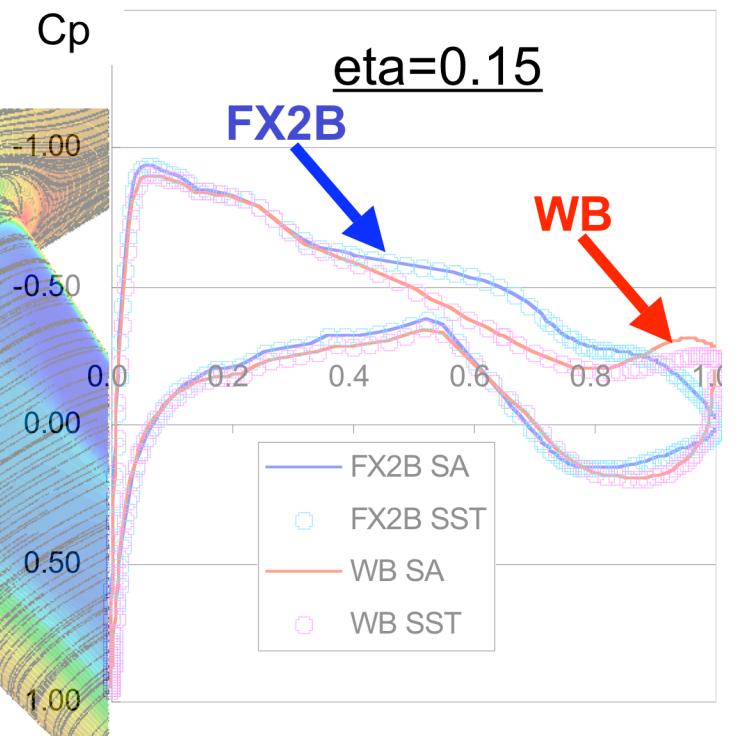
The eyes of the separation bubble change by turbulence models

SST model shows lower CDfr



## Cf. FX2B

SA	SST
CDpr=149.8cts	CDpr=149.9cts
CDfr=123.3cts.	CDfr=116.7cts.



## Summary

Both UPACS and TAS codes predicted drag at a similar level when the same turbulence model was used

## Discussion

### Grid convergence

CDpr:

Structured grid: Good convergence

Unstructured grid: Not converged even on the self-made fine grid,  
Relatively larger change with grid size

CDfr:

Small change with grid size both structured and unstructured grids

### Upper-surface trailing-edge separation location

Unstructured grid: Separation line moves near TE by the grid refinement

Structured grid: No separation

### Separation bubble at the corner of wing-body junction

FX2B: No separation bubble on all grids

Wing-Body: Factors such as grid topology, turbulence model easily affect

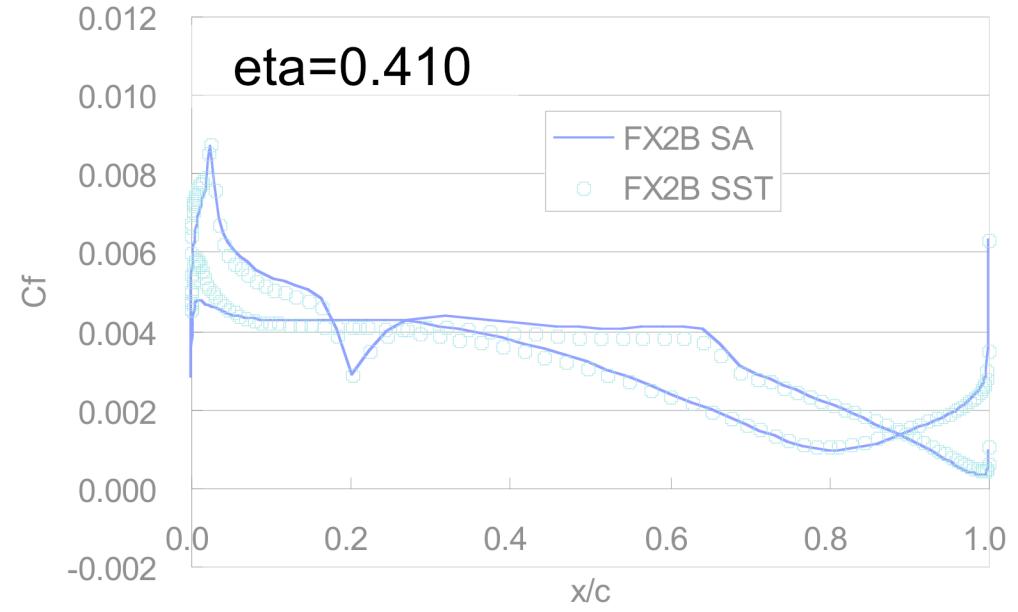
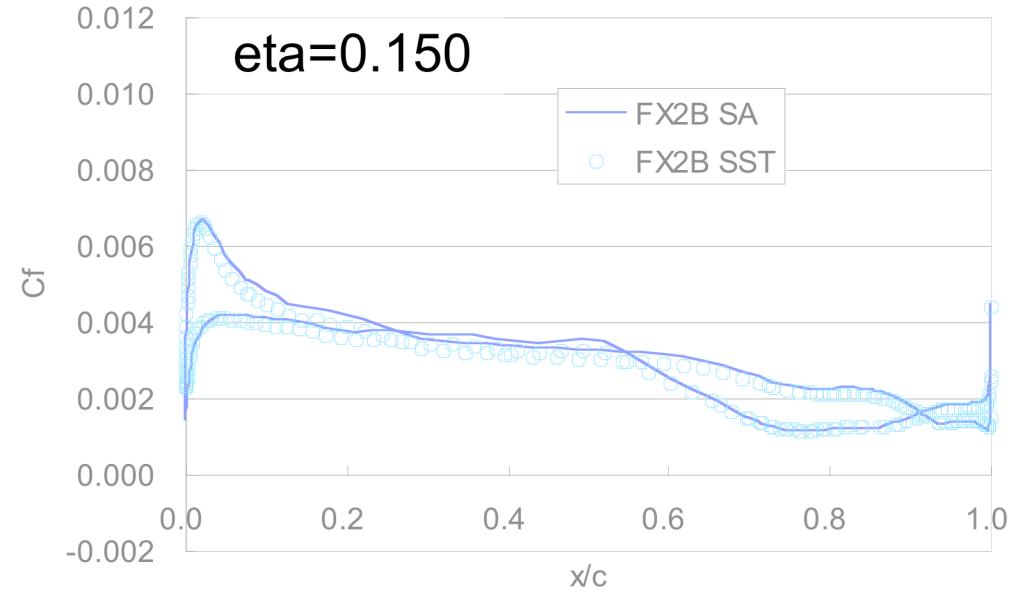
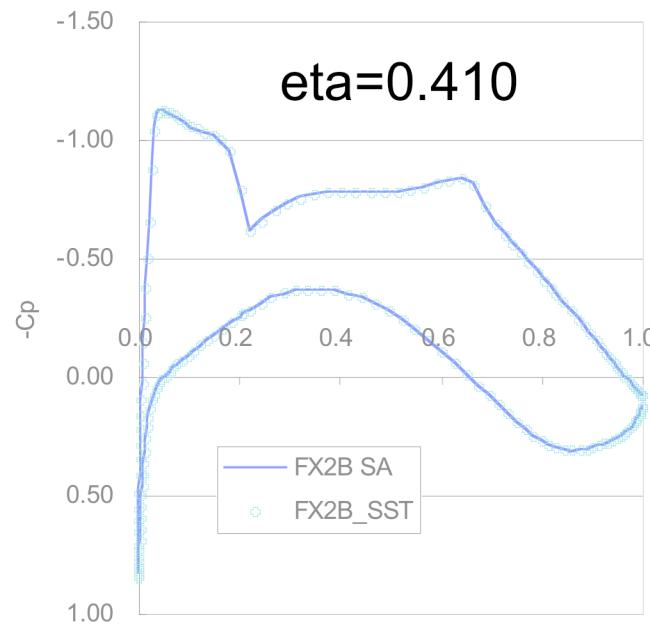
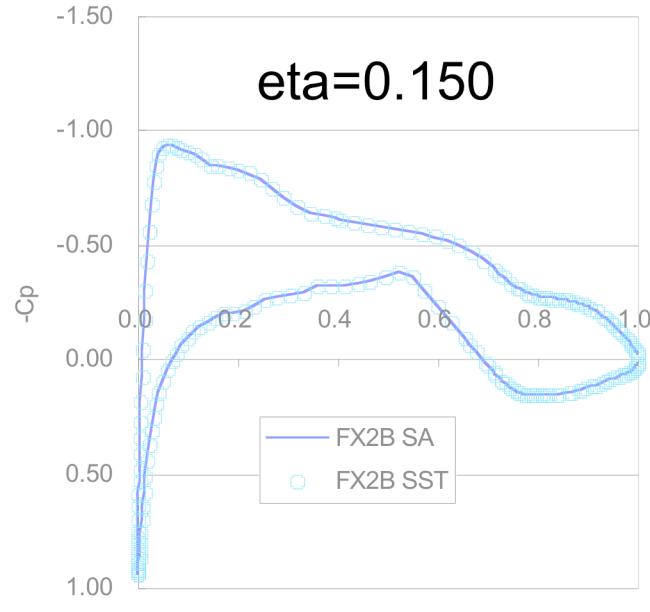
The size becomes smaller on the grid using extrude type at the corner

SST turbulence model shows lower CDfr than SA model

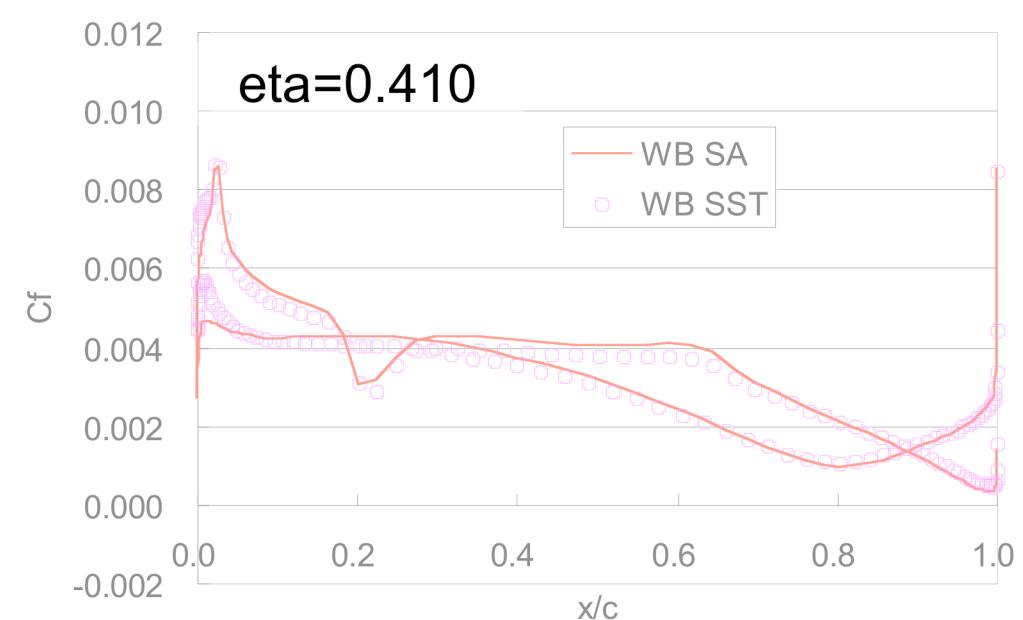
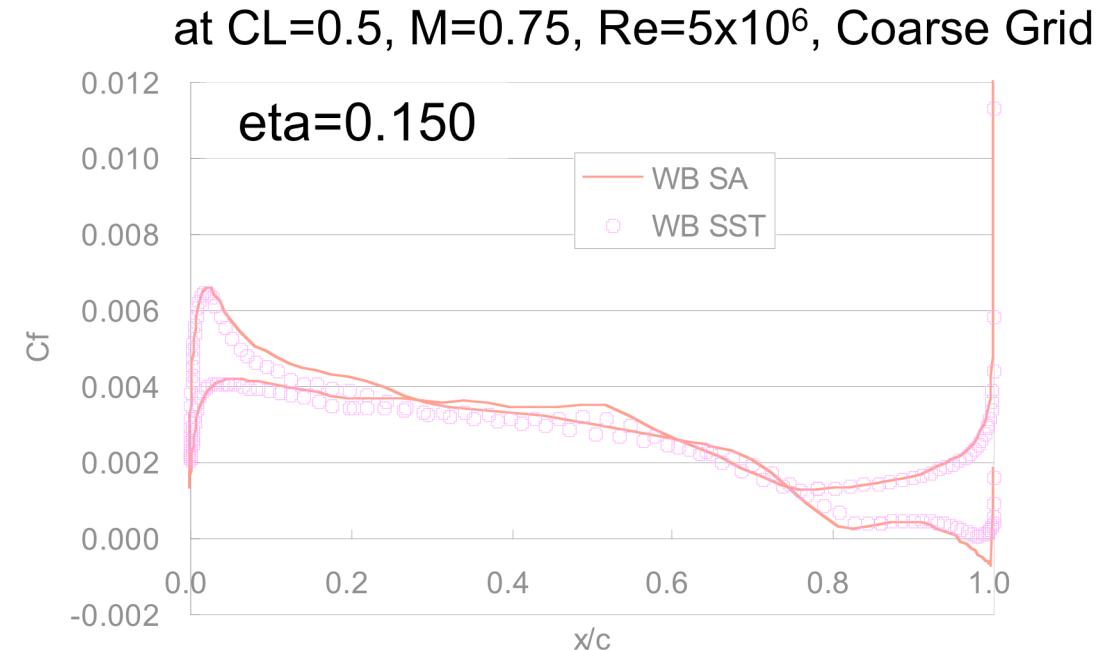
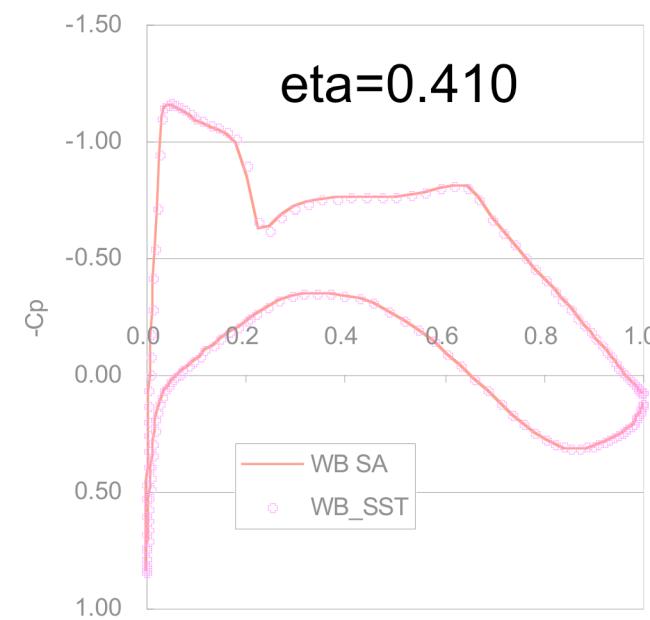
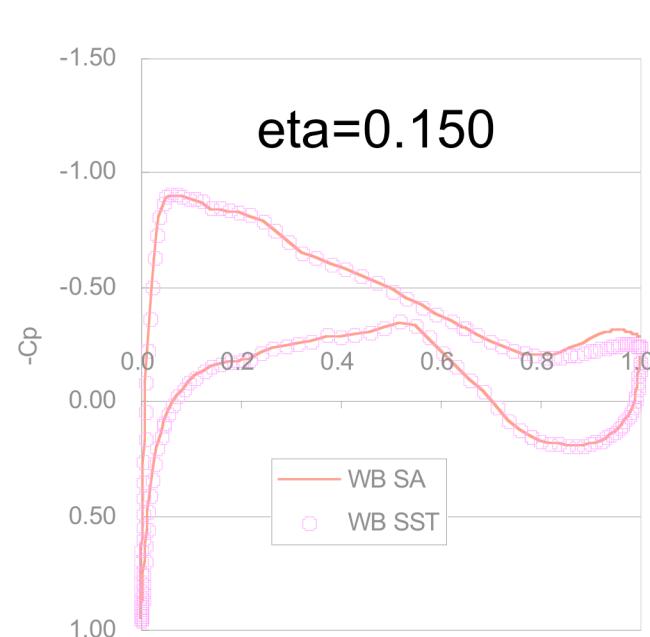


# Comparison of Cp and Cf by turbulence model(FX2B)

at CL=0.5, M=0.75, Re=5x10<sup>6</sup>, Coarse Grid



# Comparison of Cp and Cf by turbulence model(WB)





# Solution information for typical-fine grid for DLR-F6 WB

## **Computational resource**

Computer Platform: Fujitsu PRIMEPOWER HPC2500,  
SPARC 64V 1.3GHz, 1792cpu  
(Numerical Simulator III in JAXA)

Operating System: SunOS 5.8

Compiler : Fujitsu MPI Fortran



## **Unstructured Mesh, TAS Code (17.5M Nodes)**

# Processors: 64

Run Time CPU: 75 hours per 1 CPU

Run Time Wall-Clock: 150 hours per 1 CPU

Memory Requirements: 82 Gbytes per 64 CPUs

## **Structured Mesh, UPACS (29.8M Nodes)**

# Processors: 100

Run Time CPU: 71.25 hours per 1 CPU

Run Time Wall-Clock: 185.95 hours per 1 CPU

Memory Requirements: 39 Gbytes per 100 CPUs

## Grid information (Detail)

### Structured grid (Simple)

Config.	MeshType	Density	Zone	Nodes	Cells	Surf.Nodes	BL1stCellSize	GrowthRate	TE Cells
DLR-F6	Multi-block structured	Coarse	222	3.1M	2.7M	47K	0.0006[mm]	1.29	8
		Medium	222	9.8M	8.9M	100K	0.0004[mm]	1.17	12
		Fine	222	29.8M	28.0M	209K	0.00027[mm]	1.12	16
DLR-F6 FX2B	Multi-block structured	Coarse	222	3.3M	2.8M	49K	0.0006[mm]	1.29	8
		Meidum	222	10.0M	9.1M	103K	0.0004[mm]	1.17	12
		Fine	222	29.8M	28.0M	209K	0.00027[mm]	1.12	16

### Unstructured grid

Config.	MeshType	Density	Zone	Nodes	Cells	Surf.Nodes	BL1stCellSize	GrowthRate	TE Cells
DLR-F6	Mixed Unstructured	Coarse	1	5.4M	5.0M tet, 8.9M pri	134K	0.0006[mm]	1.2	4
		Medium	1	9.4M	10.7M tet, 14.9M pri	219K	0.0004[mm]	1.2	5
		Fine	1	17.5M	25.3M tet, 25.9M pri	368K	0.00027[mm]	1.2	6
DLR-F6 FX2B	Mixed Unstructured	Coarse	1	5.4M	5.0M tet, 8.9M pri	136K	0.0006[mm]	1.2	4
		Meidum	1	9.5M	10.8M tet, 15.0M pri	223K	0.0004[mm]	1.2	5
		Fine	1	17.2M	23.9M tet, 25.8M pri	378K	0.00027[mm]	1.2	6

# Grid convergence

## CD versus # of nodes

at CL=0.5, M=0.75, Re=5x10<sup>6</sup>, SA

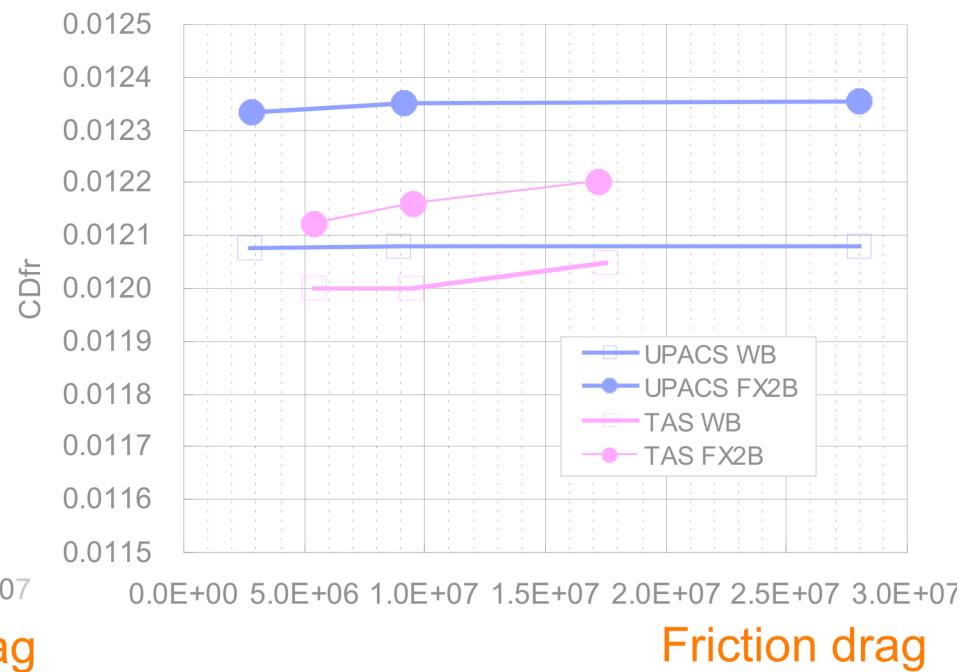
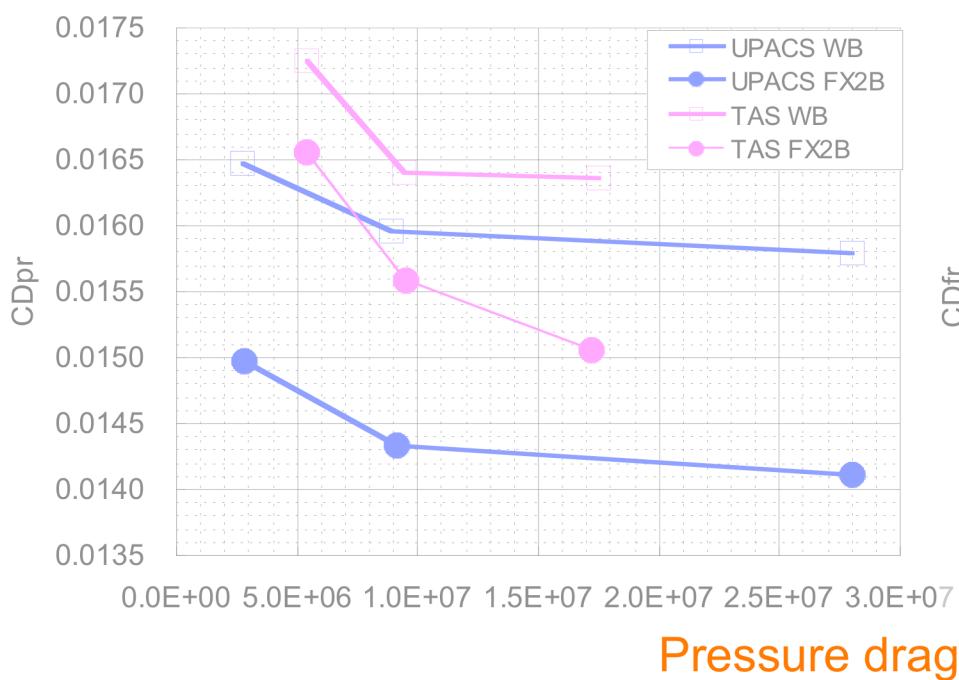
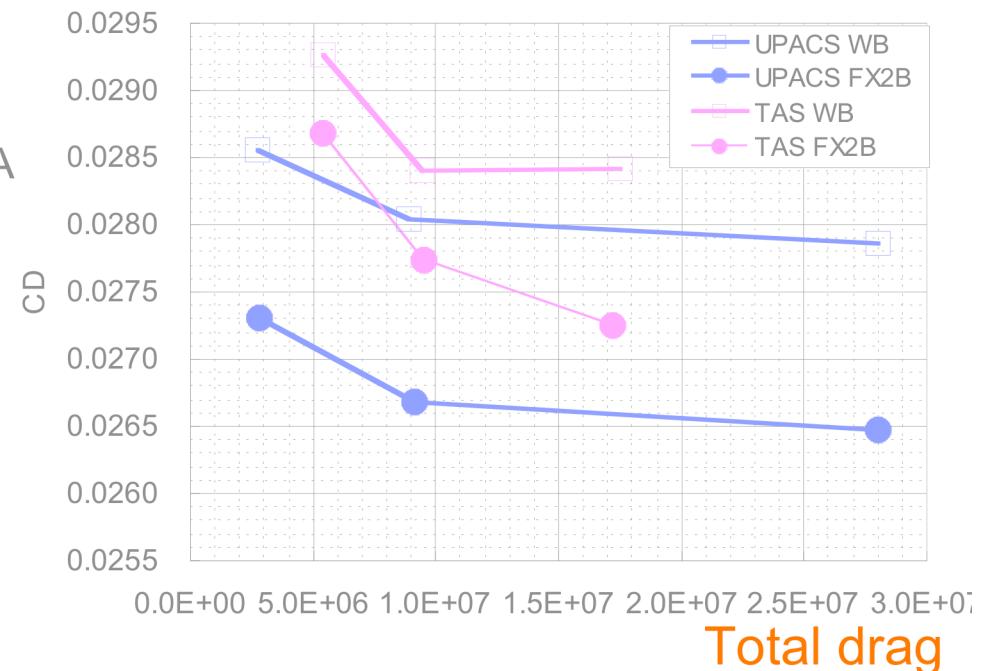
CD<sub>pr</sub>:

UPACS: Good convergence

TAS: Not converged even on fine grid  
Change with grid size is larger

CD<sub>fr</sub>:

Change with grid size is small



# Grid convergence

## CD versus Log(# of nodes)

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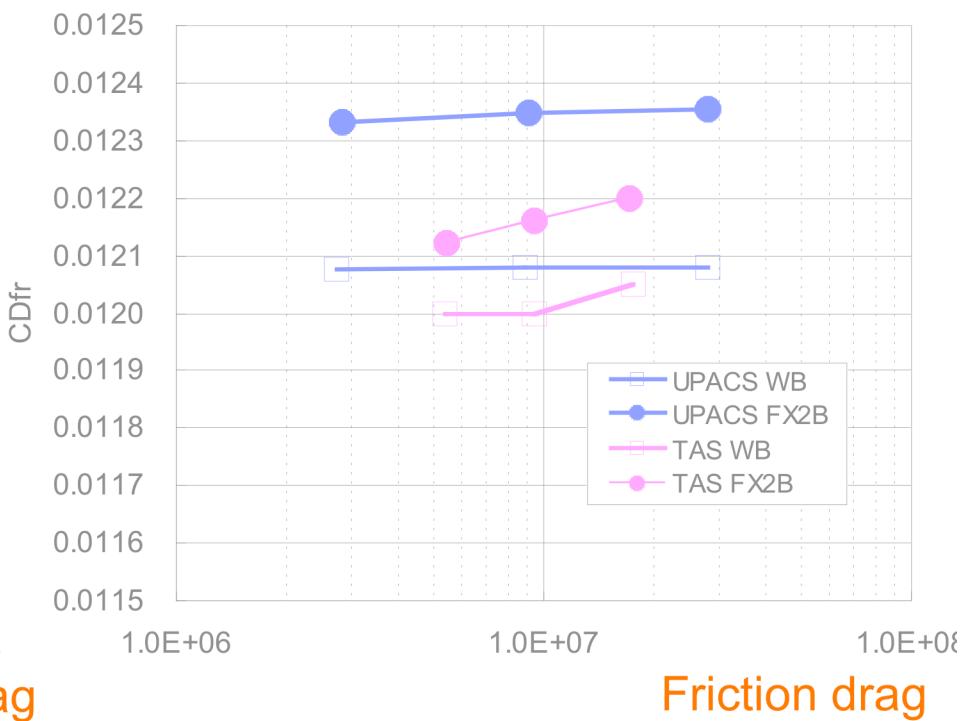
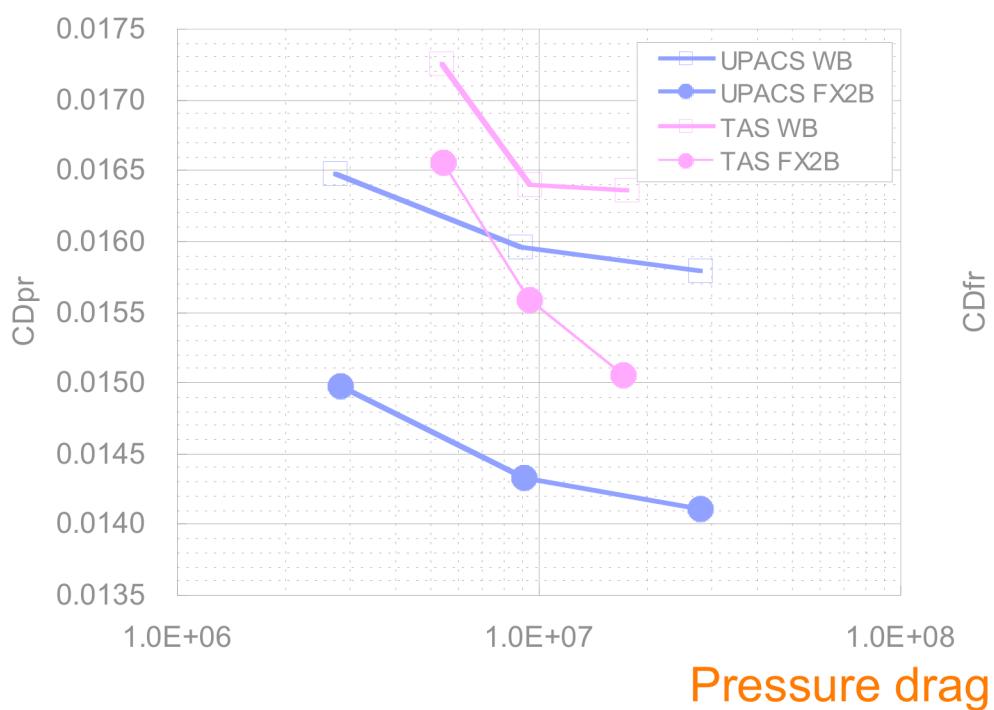
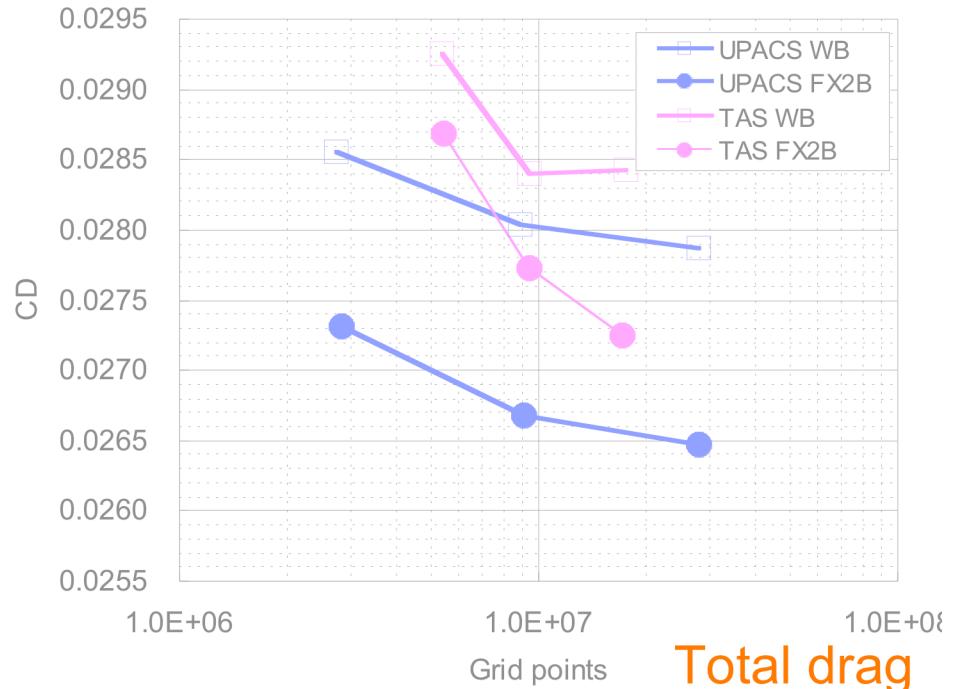
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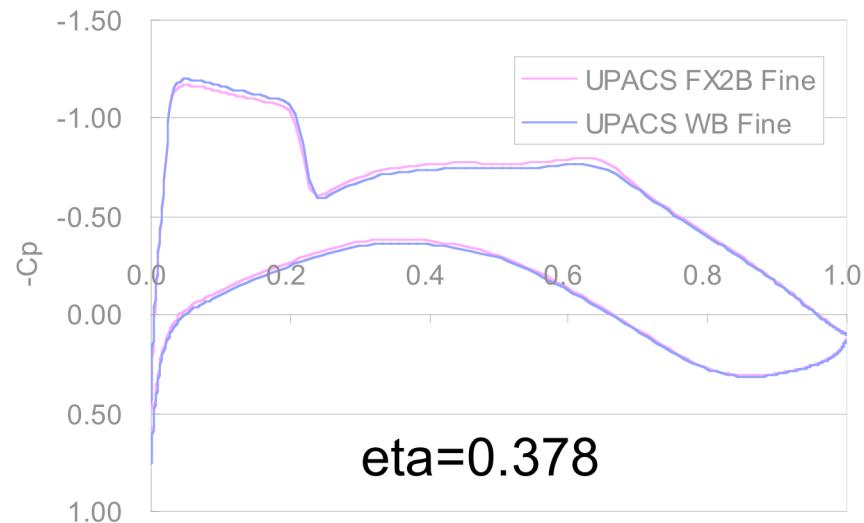
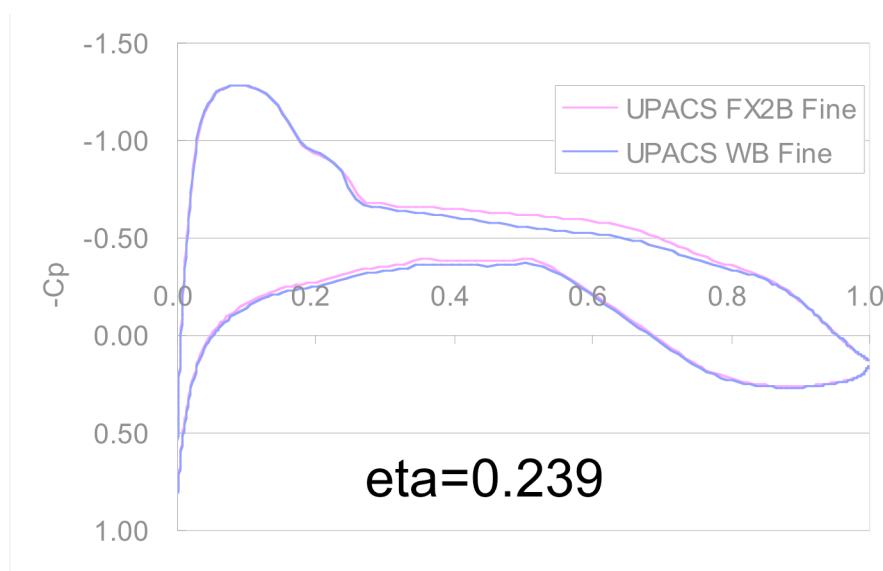
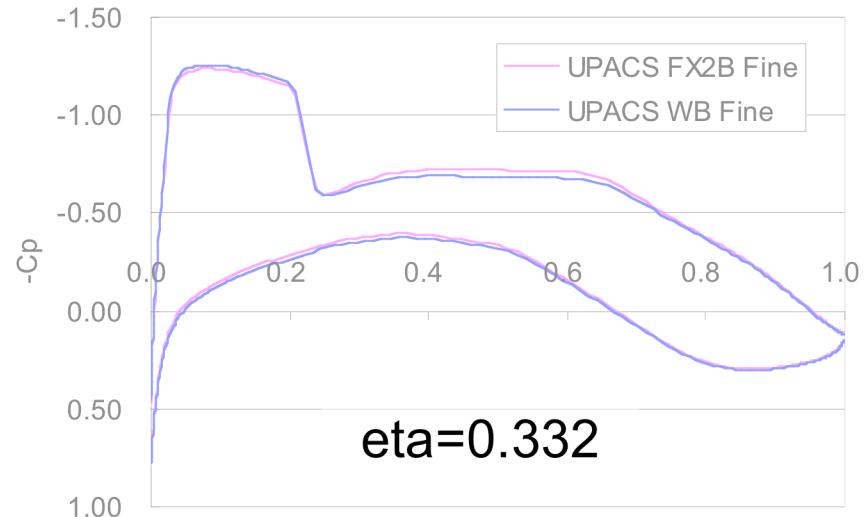
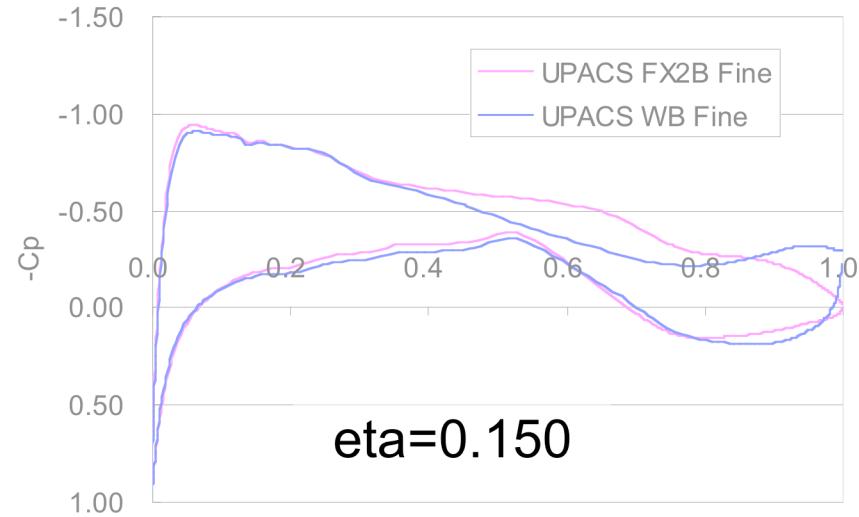
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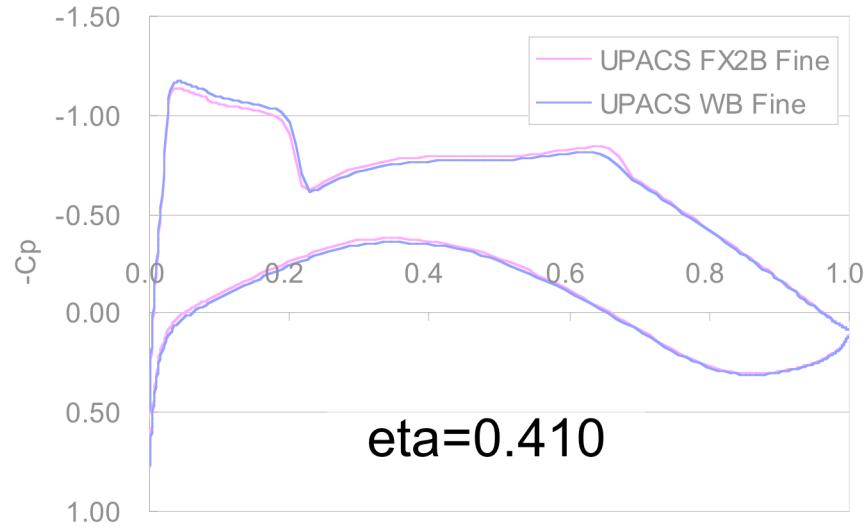


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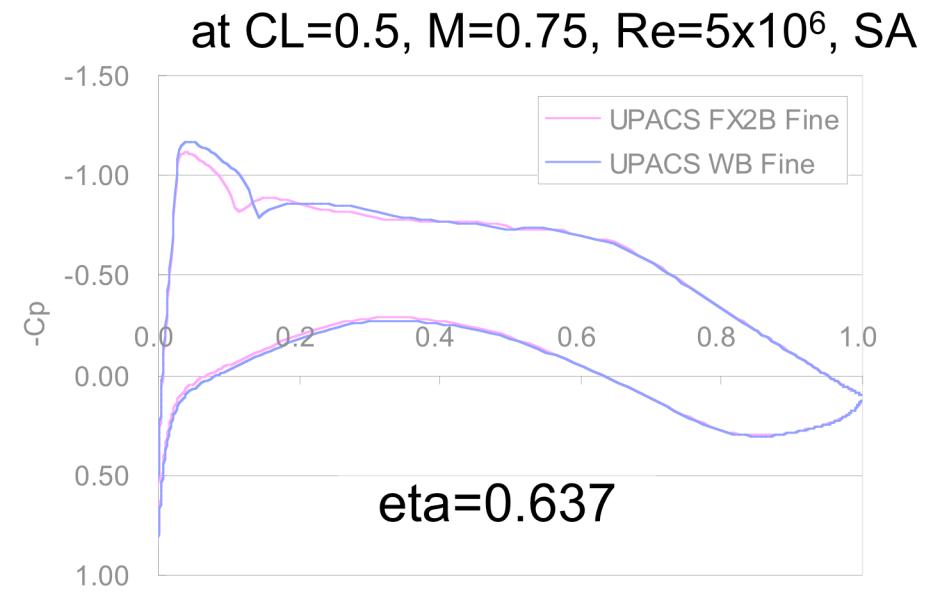
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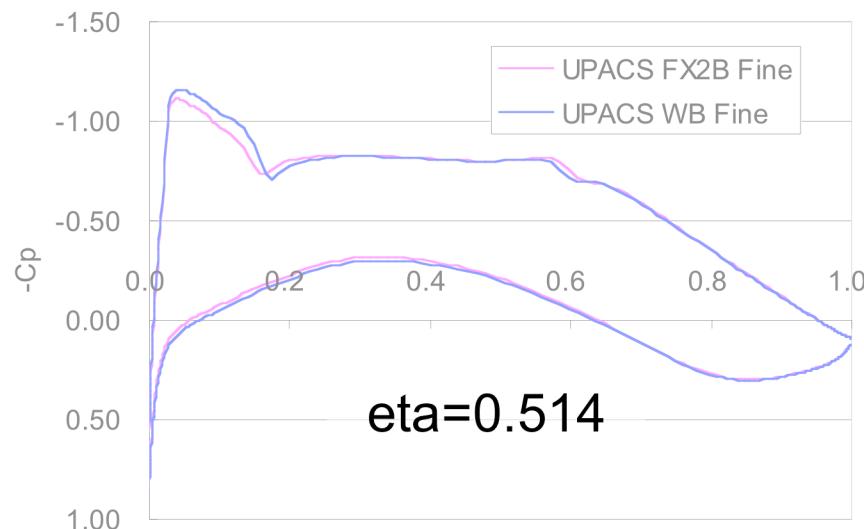
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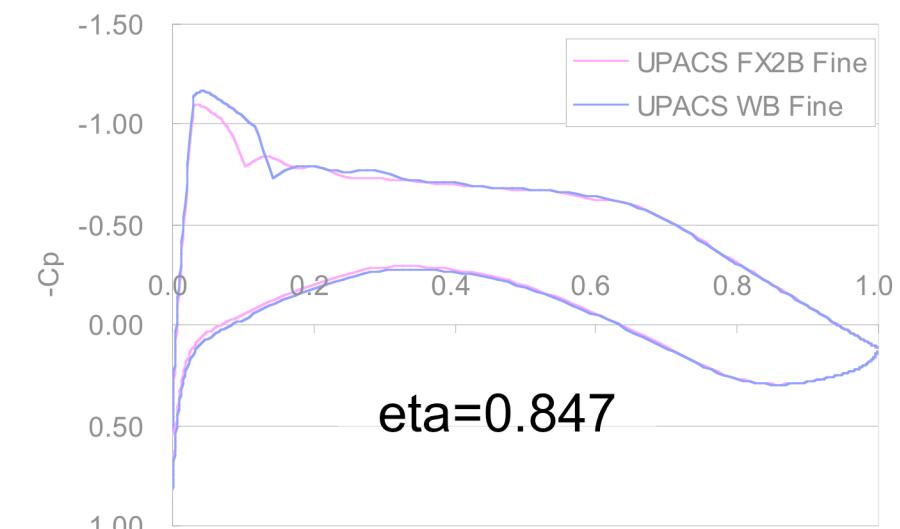
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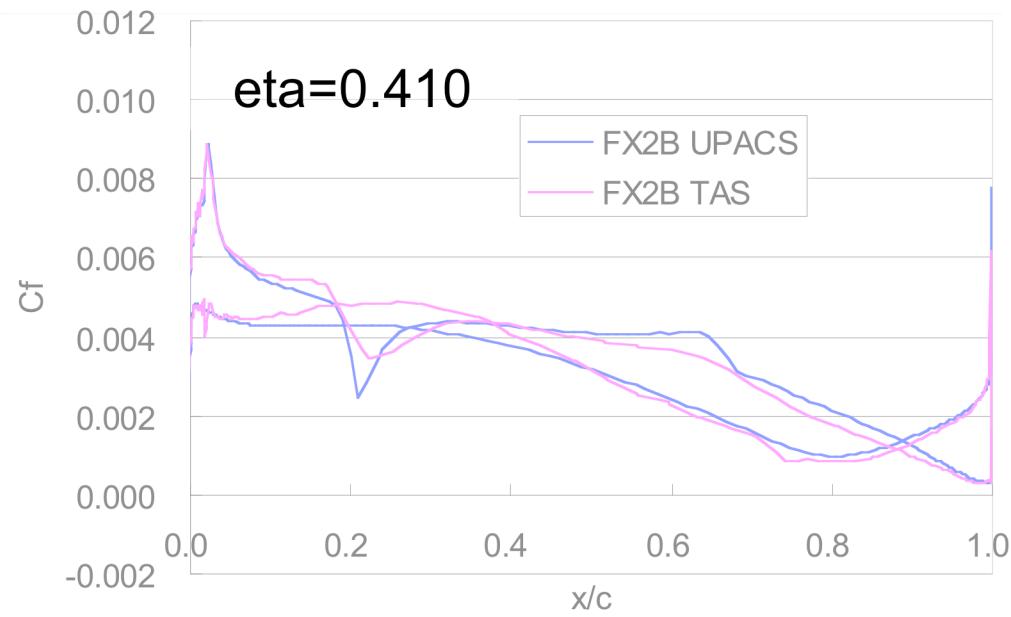
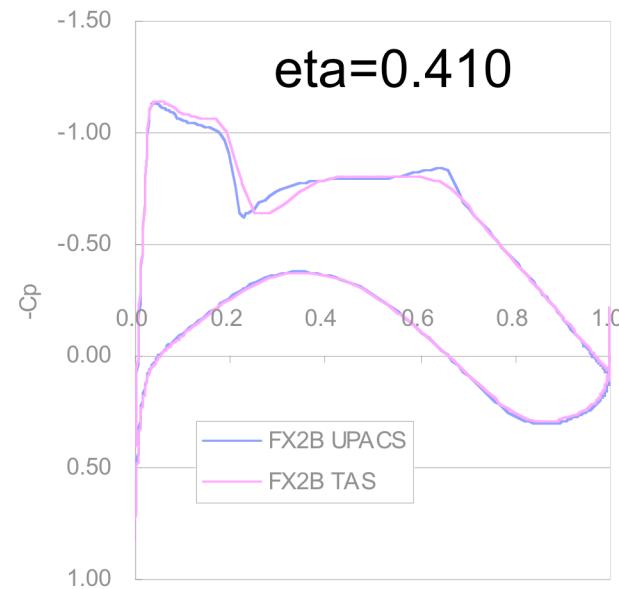
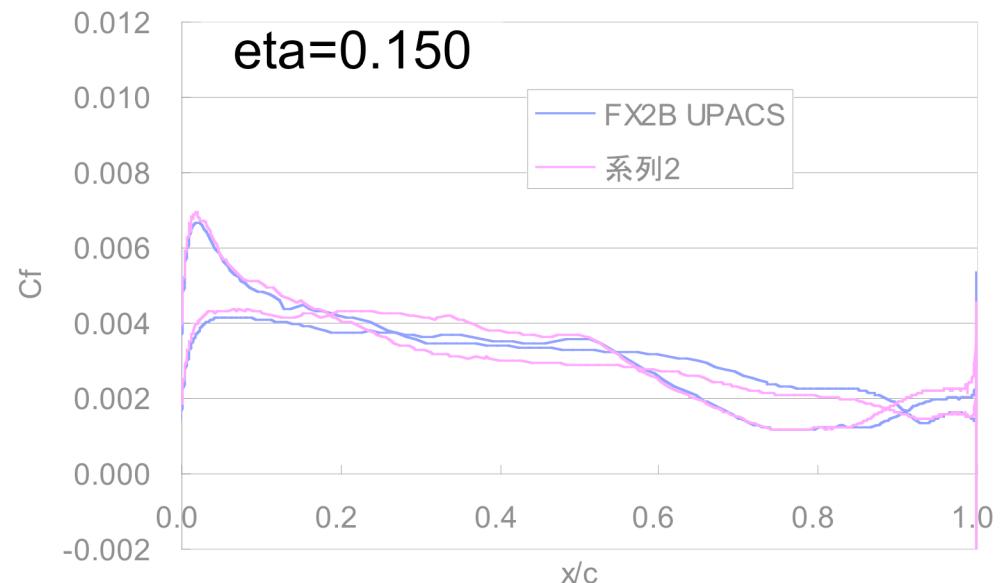
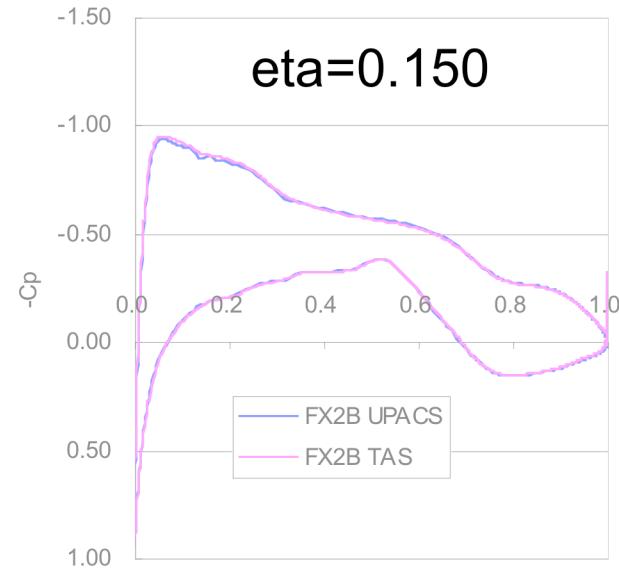
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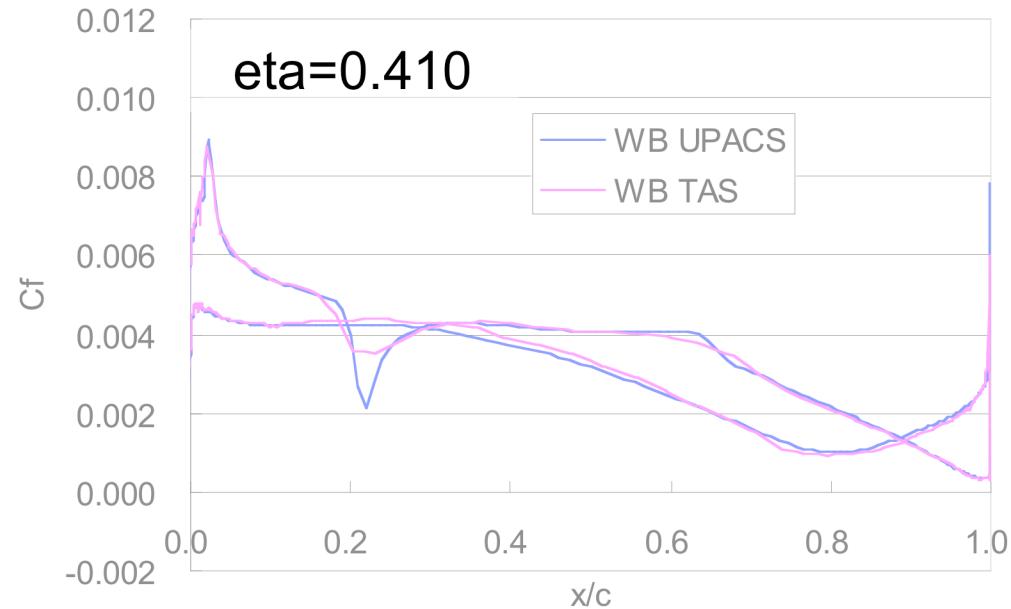
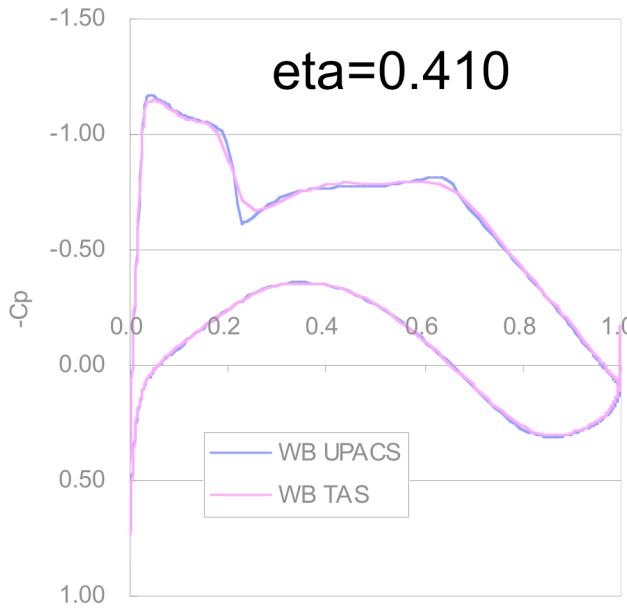
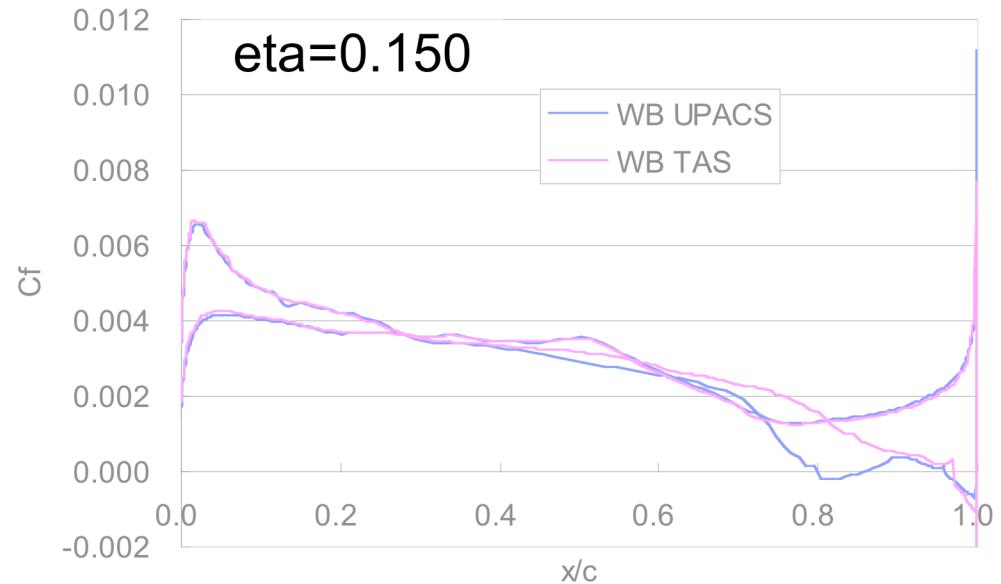
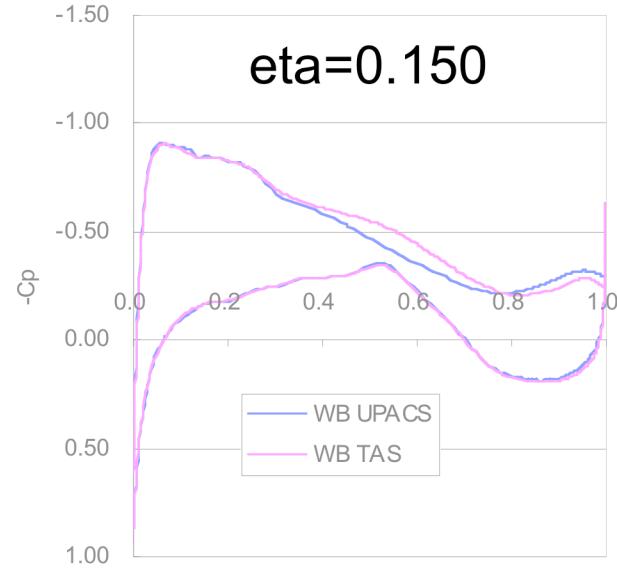
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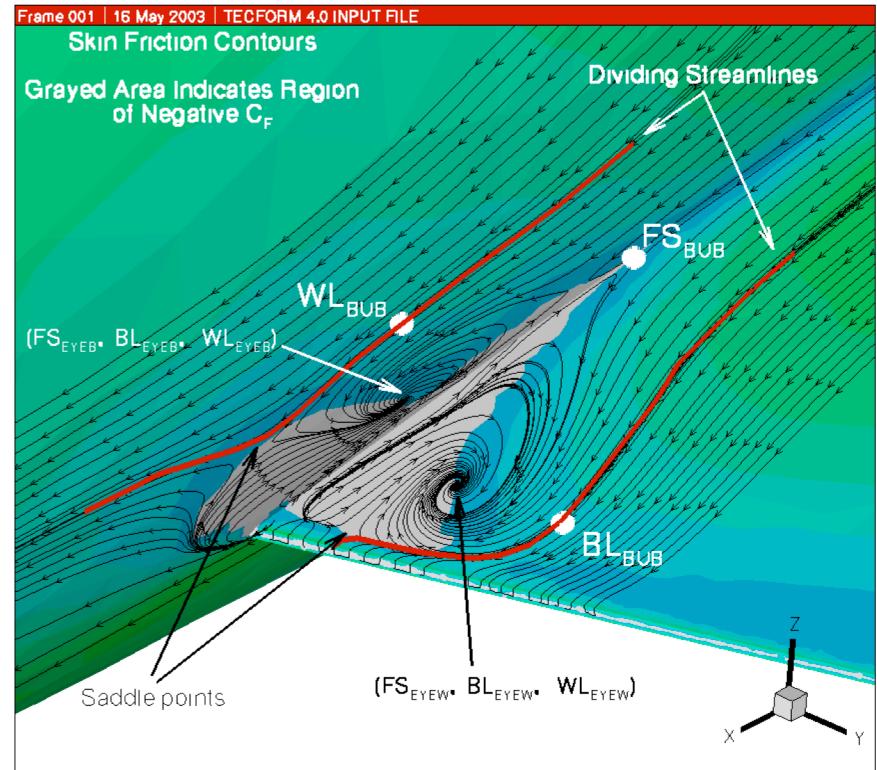
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# Comparison of Cp and Cf between codes (WB)

at CL=0.5, M=0.75, Re=5x10<sup>6</sup>, SA, Fine Grid





- \* FS\_BUB Fuselage station at the leading edge of the wing root separation bubble (W)
  - \* BL\_BUB Buttock line at the outboard edge of the wing root separation bubble (W)
  - \* WL\_BUB Water line at the top edge of the wing root separation bubble (F)
  
  - \* FS\_EYE\_W Fuselage station at the center of the wing root separation bubble (W)
  - \* BL\_EYE\_W Buttock line at the center of the wing root separation bubble (W)
  - \* WL\_EYE\_W Water line at the center of the wing root separation bubble (W)
  
  - \* FS\_EYE\_B Fuselage station at the center of the wing root separation bubble (F)
  - \* BL\_EYE\_B Buttock line at the center of the wing root separation bubble (F)
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- (W): measured on the wing, (F) measured on the fuselage

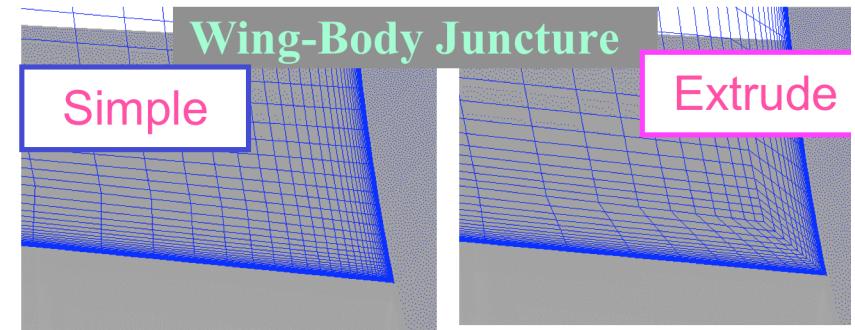
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Comparison by the grid topology at the corner

## UPACS

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GRID	FS_BUB	BL_BUB	WL_BUB	FS_EYE_W	BL_EYE_W	WL_EYE_W	FS_EYE_B	BL_EYE_B	WL_EYE_B
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